

Thank you for registering to attend TLC's field trip to the **Gemological Institute of America (GIA), on Wednesday, January 17, 2018**. Please check in with TLC staff at **11:30am (revised)** near the GIA entrance.

4th-12th grade students will be participating in the GIA Gem Kids program. Students learn about gemology, mineralogy and geology, in an inspiring and entertaining way, with instruction provided by GIA presenters and members of the gem and jewelry industry. The material is presented in an interactive and scientific workshop that incorporates science and hands-on-training with tools of the trade. The students use gemological equipment such as: microscopes, penlights and natural minerals, to learn about the properties of stones. This unique field trip is only available through prearranged groups.

After the Gem Kids program, students and chaperones may stay to do a self guided tour of the GIA museum. If you intend to do so, you will need to check in with security.

A very limited of adult chaperones will be allowed to accompany the students during the Gem Kids program. Chaperones were selected based on the date and time their RSVPs were received (only one per family). All other parents and siblings will be able to do a self-guided tour with audio available and/or stay in the café or lobby during the duration of the student program. Please see the attached list for the names of Gem Kids program chaperones.

For security purposes, guests 16 years and older must present a valid form of photo identification for entry into GIA. Those unable to provide photo ID will not be admitted.

TLC must submit a count of the number of vehicles for those attending this field trip. Please let us know if you plan to carpool with another TLC family, otherwise we will assume there is one vehicle per family.

Please note that security will not allow vehicles to enter the facility prior to 11:30am.

Schedule:

11:30am Check-in (Revised)

11:45am Introduction/use restrooms

12:00-1:30pm Gem Kids 4th-12th grade Student Program

12:00-1:30pm Self-guided tour for parents and siblings

Address:

Gemological Institute of America

5345 Armada Dr.

Carlsbad, CA 92008

Emergency Contact:

If you need to reach a staff member the day of the trip please call 619.549.2299 or 619.840.1228.

We hope you have an awesome day at GIA!