



**2015 SANTA CRUZ FORESTRY CHALLENGE
TEACHER EVALUATION FORM**

12 Responses

Thank you for participating in the 2015 Santa Cruz Forestry Challenge. Without your enthusiastic participation, this event would not be possible. We would like to improve this event in the future, and you can help by completing this evaluation form. ***If you need more room, want to explain an answer, or let us know anything else, use the backside!*** Thank you.

1. Did you find the CFC website well organized and easy to use? YES **10** / NO **1**

2. Do you have any suggestions for improving the website?

- Take 2014 materials off the Events drop down**
- Add an introduction about what is in the website**
- Post the Focus Topic a little earlier so kids can prepare**
- Post previous Topic Questions**
- Update with current information earlier**
- Packing list – add reusable water bottle and coffee mug**
- Add a page to brief students about the topics/terminology they might encounter**

3. Please rate the following parts of the event:

Fieldtrip / Focus Topic	EXCELLENT	7	GOOD	5	FAIR	1	POOR	0
Field Training and Test	EXCELLENT	8	GOOD	3	FAIR	0	POOR	0
Food / Accommodations	EXCELLENT	10	GOOD	1	FAIR	0	POOR	0
Social Activities	EXCELLENT	4	GOOD	6	FAIR	1	POOR	0

4. What was your favorite academic part of the event and why?

- Field Trip – 3**
- Focus Topic – 3**
- Field Test – 2**
- Hands-on aspect of testing and presentations - 2**

5. What was your favorite non-academic part of the event and why?

- Camaraderie (meeting new people, bonding with students) – 6**
- Campfire activities – 1**
- Food – 1**
- Nurse’s assistance – 1**
- Attending Field rotations – 1**
- Bingo (created a cohesive, friendly, supportive group) - 1**

6. Do you teach forestry to all of your students or did the participants meet outside the classroom schedule? ALL STUDENTS **1** / OUTSIDE OF CLASSROOM **7**

7. Would you be interested in having materials that you could take back to the classroom to use to teach forestry to the rest of your students? YES **10** / NO **0**

8. Please provide a one sentence “testimonial” about the CFC:

“Students consider this one of the best experiences of their high school years. REAL process/project learning.”

“My students are considering a career in a Forestry-related field because of the CFC.”

“CFC engages learners in high level thinking with real world issues about one of California’s most valuable resources, the forest.”

“As a first year participant, I found the event well-organized, meaningful, and super fun!”

“California Forestry Challenge is where my kids go to learn - while having fun!”

“Every year, students learn more than Forestry. They learn that they are capable of more than they ever imagined.”

“A great hands-on and minds-on experience in the redwood forest with real tools and mentors.”

“I look forward to bringing students to the Forestry Challenge each year. They work harder and learn more than they could in the school setting and they love it! It really stretches them in a good way. It is always educational and enjoyable to me too – getting to know a few of my own students better in a different setting and spending time with colleagues with similar interests. I always learn from the focus problem – information I can share with other students. The foresters are great – it is a good career awareness event.”

“The California Forestry Challenge makes teaching easy!”

“The California Forestry Challenge fills me up as a teacher because I feel like I really connect with my students and that is what teaching is all about.”