

Astronomy 7 Field Trip to the Jet Propulsion Lab

Spring 2013

Trip Details

Meet at the JPL VISITORS CENTER (see map, attached)
on **FRIDAY, May 24th** at **7:45 a.m.**

** We *should* be finished with our tour by about 4 p.m. **

What to Bring

Necessary Items

- **PHOTO ID!! No ID, No Tour!!**
- **Closed-Toed Shoes!**
- **These Directions**
- **Day pack to carry everything**
- **POSITIVE ATTITUDE**
- **CHEERY DISPOSITION**

MORE Necessary Items

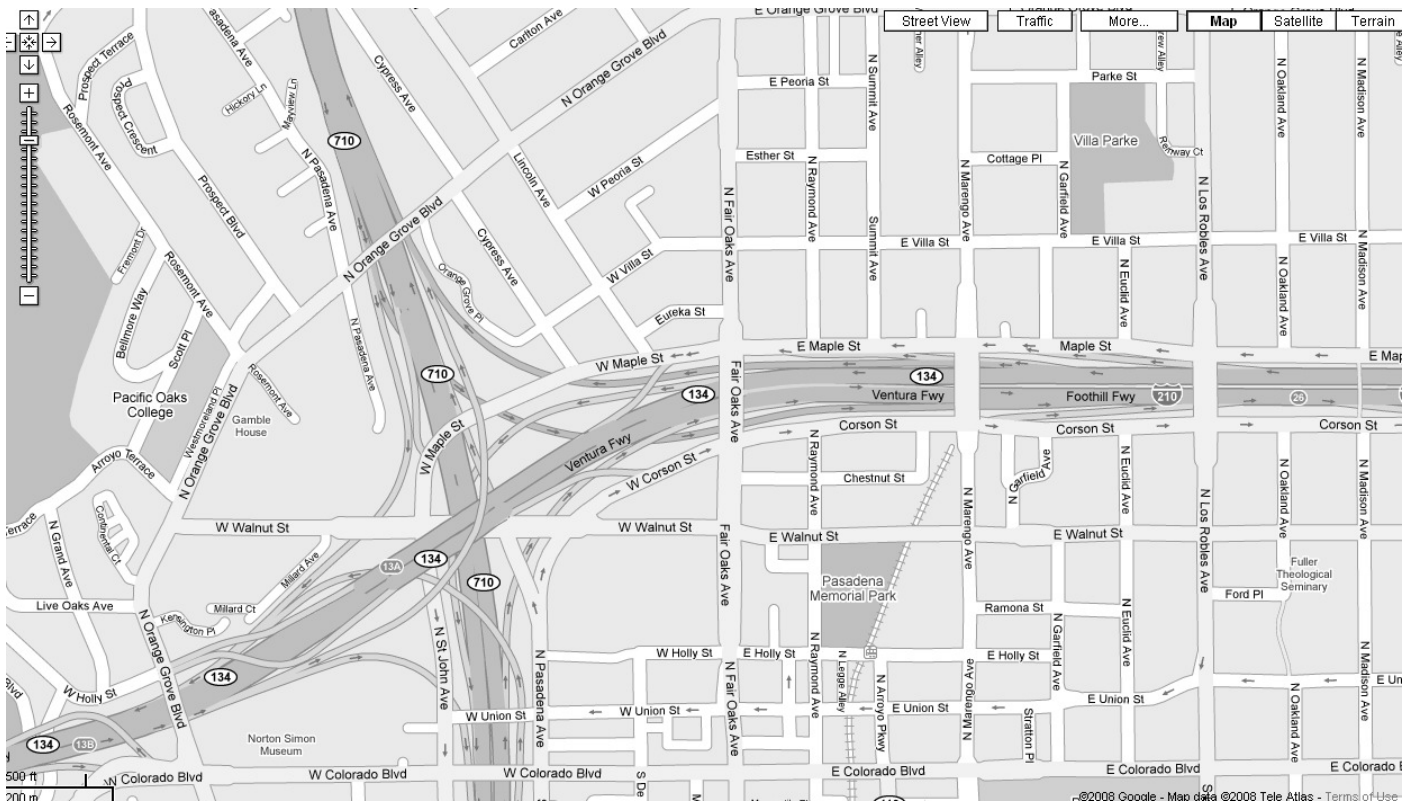
- **Notebook**
- **Pen/pencil**
- **Snacks, water**
- **Rain jacket? (Ha!)**
- **GOOD KARMA**
- **SENSE OF HUMOR**

Optional

money for presents (*We might* get to stop at the JPL Store!!)
lunch money (\$10-15?)
OR
lunch (ONE is optional...)

Directions

1. Wear CLOSED-TOED SHOES and make sure you've got your picture ID card!!
2. Get yourself onto the 210 freeway, heading WEST (this part is up to you...)
3. In Pasadena, once you get past the Hill Ave exit, be sure to be in the far right lanes, since you must "exit" to stay on the 210 – watch the signs! (If you forget and end up on the 134 headed to downtown L.A., heaven help you...)
4. Exit at Berkshire Ave.; turn RIGHT at bottom of exit ramp.
5. Turn LEFT at light onto Oak Grove Drive. DRIVE SLOWLY/CAREFULLY past the school!
6. Go *through* the next light (Foothill Blvd), and slowly approach the guard station. It's best to be in the left lane. The guards will ask to see everyone's picture IDs, so have them ready. Tell the guard that you are visiting for a tour, and the guard will direct you toward parking and (hopefully!) give you a Visitor's Parking permit.
7. From the left lane, turn diagonally into the Visitors Parking lot, which will be just to the LEFT of the next guard station (follow the green? Line – I hope I got that color right!). If there is no parking space there, heaven help you... drive out of the visitor's lot and turn sharply right, and follow the fence around to the "regular" parking lot. Find a place to park (once again, may heaven help you...)
8. Walk to the front steps of the visitor's check-in. The Visitors Center opens at 7:30 (or 8?), and there are bathrooms inside, but it's a very busy place, so please keep out of the way (outside?) until it's time for us to meet. We will meet OUTSIDE on the steps/ramp at 7:45, or as soon as I've gotten the passes from the office; BE SURE TO HAVE YOUR PICTURE ID READY!



Downtown Pasadena

JPL Parking and Visitor Center

