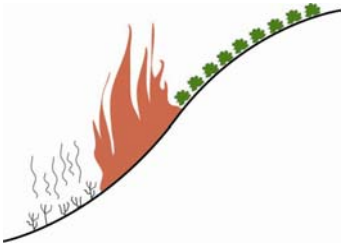


California Chaparral Field Institute

...the voice of the chaparral



CHAPARRAL KIDS! \$100 SCHOLARSHIP

Requirements: You need to be enrolled as a 6th, 7th, or 8th grader in a San Diego or Orange County, California public school during the 2006-2007 academic year (next year). The winner will be announced through email, so you will need to have access to a computer and an email account.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email Address: _____

Birthday: _____ Grade beginning September 2006: _____

School you attend: _____

School Address: _____

School Phone Number: _____

Where is the closet patch of chaparral to your house? _____

List your favorite chaparral plant and tell us one reason you think so: _____

Three other things:

_____ Include a leaf from your favorite, native chaparral shrub with this application.

IMPORTANT (How to do it): Right after you collect your leaf, press it between two

sheets of newspaper between the pages of an old book and let it stay there for a week. After a week, carefully tape the leaf on a 3" x 5" index card with the date you collected it and where it was found. The best way to make sure it is a native shrub is by collecting it along a trail in the chaparral and away from buildings and busy roads.

_____ Ask your favorite teacher, mom, or dad to write you a recommendation letter explaining why they think nature is an important place for you.

_____ Write a short essay (no more than 1000 words) answering this question: **Why nature is important to me.** Since this is a **Chaparral Kids! Scholarship** your answer should (of course!) have something to do with chaparral.

Send all of the above including this application to: The California Chaparral Field Institute, PO Box 545, Escondido, CA 92033. Your application must be postmarked on or before August 1, 2006. We will announce the winner September 1, 2006. Good Luck!

If I win the **Chaparral Kids! Scholarship** I promise my award will be spent on my education.

Your signature

Your teacher's name (if you have separate teachers for each subject, ask your science or English teacher to sign this)

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