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Thank you so much for agreeing to help out with our bayou trip this Friday. If you can be in my classroom by 9:05, it would be great. I've attached the directions for our quantitative testing. There is no need to print these out, unless you would like to do so. There will be a laminated copy on each group's clipboard. A few things to remember that will help make this a safe and enjoyable trip for all:

- Please do not bring younger children with you. We need all eyes on our kids as we'll be walking down Beach Drive and testing in and near the water.
- Please keep your focus on the students and not on your cell phone. As stated above, it is very important that all eyes are on the children.
- Please wear comfortable shoes. The walk is  $\frac{3}{4}$  mile and the bayou area is not level.
- Check the weather that morning. It is usually breezy at the bayou. You may want to bring a light jacket, just in case.
- Students must stay with you and obey you at all times. If any children give you trouble, please let me know. We really appreciate your time and will show you with our behavior (this goes for your own child).
- Please have a watch or some way to keep time (I don't mind if the cell phone is used as a clock).
- Your group will have a time assigned to them for visiting the touch tank. It is imperative that we follow this schedule strictly in order for all of the children to see the tank. If you would have your group prepared a couple of minutes before their time it would be a great help at keeping us all on schedule.
- The children have been told to stay with their group and do each of the tests together. Please do not direct them to split up in order to "speed things up". Our goal is valid data, not quick data.

Again, thank you very much for being there for the children. I think you'll be amazed at what our little scientists can do :^)!

Dawn Pack

5th Grade Science

Destin Elementary School

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Michelangelo

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