



U.S. Geological Survey Menlo Park, California

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Open House School Preview Day

by appointment only

May 30, 2003
9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Students and teachers for grades 3-9 are invited to a special preview day of the USGS Open House on Friday, May 30, 2003.

The public is invited on Saturday and Sunday (May 31 and June 1).

Students can take advantage of a special opportunity to:

- Talk with scientists about their work
- See exhibits and displays of USGS research
- Learn about the physical environment of the San Francisco Bay Region.
- Learn about earthquakes, volcanos, landslides, and other natural hazards
- Learn about biological-resource monitoring
- Explore real-time digital data on the Internet
- Learn how maps are made
- Learn about new initiatives to provided geographic data for the nation
- Tour USGS laboratories
- Learn to identify rocks, fossils, or minerals from the region
- See live animals that scientists are investigating
- Learn about resources for teachers
- Investigate career opportunities
- Buy USGS earth science books and maps

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The U.S. Geological Survey's Menlo Park facilities are located at 345 Middlefield Road in Menlo Park, California.

- There is no admission charge for the Open House. Although nearby parking lots are expected to be adequate, local residents are encouraged to walk or bicycle to the event. See the parking map for details.
- Safety is our national priority. The Federal Protective Service will be providing security. No private vehicles will be allowed on the USGS campus. Bags may be subject to inspection.
- Pets will not be allowed, other than certified seeing-eye or assisted-living animals.
- All exhibits will be wheelchair accessible. Handicap parking will be available (see parking map).
- Limited food service will be available each day. Alternatively, many restaurants are nearby in downtown Menlo Park and Palo Alto, both of which are less than a mile away.

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School Parking

Please note that parking may be a challenge for the Open House! School buses arriving from the **north** on Middlefield Road may turn right onto Survey Lane and unload in the vicinity of the flagpole circle. Other entrances to the campus will be open only for emergency vehicles and foot traffic. School buses arriving from the **south** on Middlefield Road may turn left (carefully) on Linfield Drive and unload on the right in the vicinity of the USGS on Homewood Place (one block up on the right). **Buses will have to leave the premise** and return at a designated time for passenger pick up. Buses can wait nearby on Alma between Ravenswood and Willow near Burgese Park near the CalTrain rails.



Handicap Parking will also be available via Linfield Drive. Upon arrival to the vicinity, start looking for signs directing you to USGS parking. Traffic managers stationed on Linfield Drive and elsewhere can direct you.

To get to the U.S. Geological Survey:

From Bayshore Freeway (US 101), take the Willow Road exit WEST to Menlo Park, Drive 1 mile to Middlefield Road, Turn RIGHT (north), Drive 2 blocks, Turn LEFT on Linfield Drive. Follow directions for USGS parking from this point.

From El Camino Real (US 82), Turn EAST on Ravenswood Road in Menlo Park, Drive to the T-junction at Middlefield Road, Turn RIGHT and proceed 3 blocks. Turn RIGHT on Linfield Drive. Follow directions for USGS parking from this point.

For public transportation, see the Bay Area Transit Information website: <http://www.transitinfo.org/>. Bus routes follow both Middlefield Road and El Camino, but check updated route information before traveling.