

## Industry Tours 2019



Over the course of three days, MJC Ag and Environmental Sciences gave students the opportunity to learn about new careers within the agriculture industry. The students started out travelling to Covanta a company that turns garbage into energy, then the Monterey Bay Aquarium to learn about the research and preservation of marine wildlife, then to Hopkins Marine Station which is the Stanford marine biology laboratory. After the first day students had the combination of learning with a little bit of fun and got to go onto the Santa Cruz beach boardwalk for a good time. Bright and early the next day students learned about food processing. They travelled to Driscolls Berry farm, that also processes there out product as well as Taylor Farms which does the same but with vegetables. After Taylor farms the students travelled to Cal Poly and toured the University and then got to experience the SLO farmers market. To round out the trip for the third day students started at bolt manufacturing learning about the repairs and growth of equipment within the ag industry, then went to a firestone brewery learning about food science. After that, the students ended the tours with Harris ranch touring the calf ranch learning about raising cattle, feeding cattle, processing, and transporting. An overall beneficial trip that offers so many learning opportunities for those looking for a career. This trip will be available again next year in the summer of 2020, make sure to sign up!