SeaWorld Instructional Field Trip

Chaperone Tips and Guidelines

(Please copy and distribute this information to teachers and chaperones.)

The **SeaWorld Instructional Field Trip** program is a self-guided educational experience that focuses on ocean animals – their habitats, adaptations, and conservation. The program includes an animal training presentation.

Arriving at SeaWorld

- **All vehicles must enter via the South Shores Park school field trip entrance to waive parking fee.** Vehicles entering via the SeaWorld Drive Tolls Plaza must pay a non-refundable parking fee.
- Please display the provided Parking Placard on your dash to receive complimentary parking. Teachers may make copies of Parking Placard to accommodate additional drivers. Placard not required for busses.
- Parking Placard good only for school field trip participants on day of program.
- Please help reduce exhaust emissions. We recommend arriving by bus or carpooling whenever possible.
- Upon arrival, all students and chaperones assemble in the coned area by the Education Gate while the Group Leader checks in. Check-in is 9:15 to 10 a.m. Gates open at 9:30 a.m.
- SeaWorld Pass members and Fun Card members are free. Please collect and bring passes to check-in.
- All participants will enter the park through the Education Gate as a single group.
- Due to security concerns, all bags are subject to search. ***Please do not bring:*** straight pins, straws, glass containers, weapons, headphones, or shoes with wheels.

Lunches

- Carry lunches in sturdy boxes to store at school picnic area. Unsecured cabinets provided.
- School groups must eat lunches in the picnic area; outside lunches are not allowed in other park locations.
- Help us keep the environment clean! Ask your group to use the trash receptacles and recycling bins.

Exploring the Park

- After you enter the park, explore SeaWorld animal habitats to see penguins, sharks, sea turtles, sea lions and other animals. Field Trip Guides to facilitate learning are provided the day of your visit.
- Please attend the scheduled animal training presentation. Maps with time and location provided on arrival.
- This program is designed to fit within the school day and ends at 1:30 p.m.
- Only participants with a pre-purchased "Playtime" wristband are permitted into shows, rides, and Sesame Street® Bay of Play.
- Students must be chaperoned at all times. Please adhere to all school behavior and dress codes.
- Conduct problems are referred to SeaWorld Security Department and will be reported to school principals.
- This is a self-guided program. This is **not a guided tour**. (Educational tours require advance reservation and are available for an additional cost; please reserve a tour by calling the number listed below.)
- Wheelchairs are available to rent at the Main Entrance. A chaperone may pay and pick it up on arrival.

Leaving SeaWorld

- Participants leave the park through the Education Gate. This gate is not staffed after check-in; please verify you have all belongings before using the exit-only turnstile.

Please call (800) 25-SHAMU (74268), x41 if you have any questions. We look forward to your visit.

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