



FIELD TRIP INSTRUCTIONS

Whale Watching Excursions

Location:

Flagship Cruises & Events
990 N. Harbor Dr.
San Diego, CA 92101
Tel. 619-234-4111 (Flagship)
Tel. 619-336-7744 (Ocean Connectors)
www.flagshipsd.com/whale-watching

Transportation:

Please make your school bus reservation with the District. Ensure that students are lined up outside and ready to be picked up at the times below. Bus stops near Broadway Pier.

School Pick Up: 8:45a (critical) **Departure from Dock:** 1:00p (approx.)

Date: December – April on Tuesday, Wednesday, or Friday. Please email info@oceanconnectors.org to confirm your specific field trip date.

Bring Student Lunches? Yes. Students will eat lunch around 12:00p while on the boat.

Parent Chaperones: Suggested 2-3 per trip
Free seats are limited (see note below) and priority is given to students. Additional parents who wish to attend must purchase their own ticket in advance using the link above. Parent chaperones must arrive on the school bus with the class (not drive separately), and must submit the required District paperwork in advance.

Rain-or-Shine Trip? No. Whale watching field trips WILL be canceled in the event of rain, wind, or swell. You will receive a phone call at school by 8:00am the morning of your trip to reschedule. The school is responsible for notifying parents.

Special Notes:

- **Space is limited.** The number of reserved seats is 38 per trip, PLUS the teacher and 1 Ocean Connectors instructor (40 total). You may choose to bring aides, parent chaperones, and additional teachers, so long as your group does not exceed 38. Please select chaperones who will follow and support all rules and behavior guidelines.
- **A few days before your field trip, send home the Whale Watching Info Sheet** for students to share with their families (found in this User Guide and online).
- **Signed liability and appearance release forms must be submitted at the start of the field trip for every student and parent chaperone in attendance.** Students who attend without the signed forms will need to be picked up by their parent or guardian to immediately return to school.
- The day before, remind students about the importance of taking sea sickness medicine. Students should **wear closed-toed shoes and sunscreen, and dress in warm layers.**
- If possible, please have your students wear **name tags** to help us communicate.