



Important Field Trip Information

PROGRAM: INSTRUCTIONAL FIELD TRIP

Please review this information carefully

Parking at SeaWorld

- Please display the provided Parking Placard to receive complimentary parking. Teachers can make copies to accommodate additional drivers. Placards are not required for buses.
- Vehicle entrance for field trip program is located off Sea World Drive and South Shores Boat Launch. See map for directions. This entrance is not the GPS coordinates on cell phones. Park in lot near the Education Gate.

Arrival and Check-in

- Upon arrival, check in at the Education Gate. Check-in begins at 9:15a.m. and entry begins at 9:30a.m.
- 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.

Fieldtrip Program (Half-day program 9:30-1:30)

- Program includes one animal presentation and self-guided exploration of animal habitats.
- At check-in you will be given: Guides, maps, and time and location of the Education presentation.
- Students sitting in wet sections of amphitheaters must be accompanied by an adult chaperone.

Stay & Play All-Day Program (extra fee)

- For an additional discounted fee, guests can stay to enjoy SeaWorld shows, rides, and *Sesame Street*[®] Bay of Play. Guests must have the **Stay & Play Wristband** will be admitted to these areas.
- All students must have an adult chaperone accompanying them on rides.
- Height restrictions apply to *Electric Eel*, *Manta*, *Shipwreck Rapids*, and *Journey to Atlantis* rides.
- Age, height, and weight restrictions apply to *Sesame Street*[®] Bay of Play.
- Middle and high school students are not allowed entrance to *Sesame Street*[®] Bay of Play playground.

Lunches

- Lunches should be carried in sturdy boxes and stored in the school picnic – unsecured yellow cabinets.
- School groups must eat lunches in the picnic area; outside lunches are not allowed in other park areas.
- Help us keep our environment clean! Ask your group to use the trash receptacles and recycling bins.

After Entering the Park

- After you enter the park, explore SeaWorld animal habitats and attend the Education presentation.
- Educators are available at the animal areas to answer student questions.
- Only participants with *pre-purchased Stay & Play Wristband* are permitted in public shows or rides.
- 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 reported to school principals.
- Wheelchairs are available to rent at the Main Entrance. A chaperone may pay and pick it up on arrival.

Please call (619) 222-4732 if you have any questions. *We look forward to your visit.*



SeaWorld Instructional Field Trip

Group Leader Checklist and FAQs

Thank you for your reservation. The SeaWorld San Diego 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 presentation. Check-in begins at 9:15 a.m. and entry begins at 9:30 a.m. Visit SeaWorld exhibits and aquariums until 1:30 p.m.

Before your Field Trip

- ___ If you have a purchase order payment, please send a copy to SeaWorld by mail or fax to (619) 226-3634 at least two weeks ahead.
- ___ Copy and distribute parking placards (1 per vehicle). Use the Field Trip Entrance for free parking.
- ___ Collect any SeaWorld annual Passes and Fun Cards.

Chaperones are required for all education programs. We require *at least* one adult for every 10 students and *no more* than one adult for every three students. Eligible Preschool, Kindergarten, Home School, and Special Education groups may bring one adult for every one student. (All participants pay the program fee.) Extra adults over the maximum ratio pay 20% off the current SeaWorld general admission price.

Mail Purchase Orders to: SeaWorld Education & Conservation
Attn: Field Trips
500 SeaWorld Drive
San Diego, CA 92109

Check-in (day of the Field Trip)

- ___ Make sure your entire group has arrived.
- ___ Finalize the total count for your group:
 - Total number of adult chaperones.
 - Total number of students.
 - Number of adult Passes.
 - Number of child Passes.
 - Number of adults and siblings over the accepted ratio of adults and students.
 - Number of adult chaperones and students paying the **additional playtime fee** to spend the rest of the afternoon enjoying shows, rides, and Sesame Street® Bay of Play by adding on a discounted playtime fee. Only guests with a playtime wristband will be admitted to these areas.
- ___ Complete the *Participant Count Sheet* prior to check-in.
- ___ Only the group leader should check-in the school.
- ___ Method of payment: SeaWorld accepts purchase orders (in advance), cash, checks, or credit cards. Please use one form of payment per school.

Field Trip Guides, maps, and the Education presentation time and location will be provided to your group at check-in on the day of your visit. Lunches may be stored in unsecured cabinets at SeaWorld.

Chaperones must be with students at all times and follow guidelines.

Frequently Asked Questions

Can I go over the specified adult to student ratio? Any additional adults or siblings must pay the discounted rate of 20% off the current SeaWorld general admission price.

There are less than 10 people in my group. Can I still book a field trip? We require that group size is at least 10 or more students and adult chaperones.

Are teachers free? No. Teachers, chaperones, and students all pay the same low rate for education programs.

Can we use annual Passes and Fun Cards for school field trip program or tour fees? Passes and Fun Cards can be used for the Instructional Field Trip program fee. However, they may not be used for In-Depth Tour fees.

Will we have a tour today? The SeaWorld Instructional Field Trip program is **self-guided**.

Are rides and shows included on the field trip? The Instructional Field Trip program includes self-guided viewing of SeaWorld's animal habitats and an educational animal presentation. The program ends at 1:30 p.m. Rides, shows, and Sesame Street® Bay of Play are not included. You may spend the rest of the afternoon enjoying SeaWorld shows, rides, and attractions by adding on a discounted playtime fee. Only guests with a playtime wristband will be admitted to these areas.

Do we have to pay for parking? Currently, parking is free for schools and chaperones who use the SeaWorld Field Trip Entrance as directed on the Parking Placard. Bus parking is also free. We encourage you to carpool. Guests arriving through the Tolls Plaza will be charged a parking fee.

Can I reschedule my group's trip? Please be sure to check your school calendar and bus/transportation availability before reserving your field trip to avoid any conflicts with the field trip day you reserve. Rescheduling is subject to availability.

Can I reenter SeaWorld on the day of the field trip if I exit? You will only be able to enter the Education Gate during check-in. The gate is closed and locked after all school groups arrive. Please verify you have all belongings before using the exit-only turnstile. If you exit early, there is no reentry through this gate.

Can we enter the park early? The education gate opens shortly after check-in begins. There is no early entry.

I paid for a group of participants that did not show up. Can I get a refund? Refunds are processed for prepaid reservations only. Before check-in, please make sure your entire group has arrived. Count and pay for all participants prior to entering the park. Refunds are not given after park entry. The Field Trip program runs rain or shine and no refunds are given for inclement weather.

Your feedback is important. Please visit <http://www.surveymoz.com/s3/1881851/SeaWorld-San-Diego-Field-Trip> or scan the code below to provide feedback about your SeaWorld Field Trip experience.



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