FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS
PREPARING FOR YOUR SCHOOL PROGRAM

How can I prepare my students for our trip?
Pre- and post-lesson plans are available for select programs. Download these resources here.

What should I bring with me the day of the trip?
We recommend bringing a first aid kit, emergency contact information for each student, comfortable shoes, lunch and water, and weather-appropriate clothes and accessories.

Does my program take place indoors or outdoors?
Most of our programs include an outdoor component, but the amount of time students will spend outside depends on the program booked and the weather. During cold or inclement weather, some programs may replace or shorten outdoor portions and substitute with additional indoor activities.

Where should our bus driver park/drop us off?
Your drop-off location is dependent upon the program you have booked. Refer to the Class Meeting Locations table and map on the previous page.

Where and when can students eat lunch?
Please plan to have your students eat either before arriving for your program or after your program is complete. Groups are welcome to eat lunch anywhere outside in the park. For programs in the Environmental Education Center, there are picnic tables available near Jane’s Carousel.

What happens if there is inclement weather?
The Education Department will reach out as soon as possible to discuss cancellation or an alternate program plan. If cancelled, we are happy to work with you to reschedule.

What should I do if we are running late or lost?
If you expect to arrive later than your program start time, please contact a Conservancy Educator using a number provided in your confirmation materials. If your group does not arrive within 45 minutes of your scheduled program start time, your class will be cancelled.

Will there be bathrooms near my program?
Yes! For programs that take place in the Environmental Education Center, there are bathrooms within the same building. For programs that meet at Pier 1, there are bathrooms in the trailer at the turnaround near the entrance to the park. For programs that meet at Pier 4 and 5, there are bathrooms at the boathouse near Montague Street.