



Field Trip Info Sheet

Thank you for choosing Butterfly Wonderland as an educational encounter for your school group. We want you and your group to have the best possible experience. Imagine wandering through a rainforest landscape with running waterfalls, exotic plants, flowers in bloom, and serene koi fish ponds while thousands of the most beautiful species of butterflies in the world flutter all around you.

Your journey begins by enjoying a 14-minute specially-edited version of the 3D film "*Flight of the Butterflies*". Then stop at the Chrysalis Emergence Gallery, where you can see butterflies being born. This is followed by one of the largest Butterfly Conservatories in the U.S. After a visit with our fluttering friends and our honey bee exhibit, students will visit our Rainforest Reptiles exhibit, then our Spineless Giants & Desert Critters exhibit and finally our Tropical Waters exhibit before exiting through the gift shop.

Planning your Field Trip

Complete the Field Trip Reservation Request Form at least two weeks in advance. This form can be obtained either on-line at www.butterflywonderland.com, by email education@butterflywonderland.com, or by calling (480) 800-3000, ext. 206. With confirmation, you will receive the Field Trip Info Sheet, Checklist Form, Facility Map and bus parking instructions within two business days. **The Checklist Form is needed on the day of tour along with payment unless you are using a PO.**

- All tours are self-guided. Please have one point person pay at the Admission Window. **Be prepared with accurate numbers of students and chaperones.** Wristbands will be given for both students and chaperones. Tours are approximately 2 hours. **Groups are limited to 100 INCLUDING CHAPERONES. SCHOOL GROUPS LARGER THAN 80 must be split into two separate times that same day. CHAPERONES MUST HAVE NAME ID BADGE OR LABEL PROVIDED BY THE SCHOOL.**
- **NO OUTSIDE ITEMS CAN BE BROUGHT INTO THE BUILDING** due to contaminants that might harm the butterflies (**NO pens, pencils, papers, pipe cleaners, flowers (real or imitation), crayons or markers.**)
- School tours are offered to grades Preschool thru 12th grade, Monday through Friday. **Make sure each chaperone reviews guidelines listed on School Tour Checklist Form prior to school tour. No outside school lunches are allowed due to space restrictions.** Please see our recommendations for picnic options or groups of 20 or less (including adults and children) can visit our website for a school lunch order form.

- Check www.butterflywonderland.com for on-line teacher resources to use prior to field trip. Curriculum is based on Arizona State Academic Standards.
- **Required ratio of ADULTS to CHILDREN for elementary and middle schools is 1:5. There is a 1:10 ratio for high-schools.** Discounted price for school tours is \$9.00 + tax per student; adult chaperones within appropriate ratio are no charge. Additional adults/chaperones and bus drivers are \$14.00 + tax each. **All chaperones are required to be 18 years of age or older.**
- Preschools and homeschools must complete the Homeschool/Preschool form found at www.butterflywonderland.com and do not get a 1:5 ratio, many times because parents accompany their child. Cost for them is \$9 per student and \$14 for adults, plus 7.95% tax on each ticket.
- Forms of payment are cash, business check, credit card, and purchase orders. We encourage school districts to pay via purchase order to receive an invoice rather than bringing a pre-printed check that does not reflect accurate tour numbers. **No refunds on overpayment will be given for dropped numbers the day of visit on pre-written checks.** Please be sure check is made out to Butterfly Wonderland. Payment must be given to Admissions at the time of your arrival, unless using a School Purchase Order.

Day of Field Trip/Arrival

- **IMPORTANT: BUS DRIVERS MAY DROP OFF AND PICK UP STUDENTS WITH THEIR BUS FACING SOUTH ALONG THE SIDEWALK ON THE SIDE OF THE BUTTERFLY WONDERLAND BUILDING. Please refer to Bus Parking Map for designated loading/unloading zone and approved bus parking lot.** Before students disembark school bus, send representative from your school to check in at Admissions Window with Field Trip Checklist Form and payment. They will receive wrist bands for students and chaperones.
- Groups of 20 or less (including adults and children) are welcome to purchase pizza lunch from Butterfly Wonderland. Orders for student pizza lunch must be made no less than two days prior to your arrival. **Please visit our website, www.butterflywonderland.com, for access to our Student Lunch Order Form.**
- We are not able to provide an area for large groups to have lunch, as space is limited. Due to limited space for large groups, we recommend that most groups who wish to picnic visit Agua Linda Park, 8732 E. McDonald, Scottsdale (northwest corner of Pima and McDonald) or McCormick Railroad Park (located at the southeast corner of Scottsdale Road and Indian Bend Road, 1.7 miles west of the 101 Loop, exit Indian Bend. Address is 7301 E. Indian Bend Road, Scottsdale.)

Chaperone Guidelines

- Chaperones **MUST** wear name badge or label provided by the school. **You and the chaperones are expected to monitor students so they and our other visitors have a safe and enjoyable visit.** Chaperones are to be supervising the students they are assigned at all times. **Please remind chaperones there should not be texting or using cell phones during tour - their focus should be on the students.**
- Please be aware that this is a living exhibit, and all guests are expected to adhere to all guidelines set forth by members of our staff. For this reason, all chaperones must be engaged, participating adults. **No teenage chaperones will be permitted for the safety of our creatures, and for the safety of the children.**
- Students need to respect the plants, butterflies and other visitors. Butterflies are fragile. Children should not be attempting to catch them or handle them. Often butterflies will be found on sidewalk sunning themselves or resting, so children may need reminders to watch their feet and to stay on the path. If a butterfly lands on a student, and the student is uncomfortable or might damage it, please have a staff member or volunteer remove it appropriately. Failure to adhere to these rules will result in the person's exclusion of this activity.

Our goal is to provide a safe, exciting experience for all of our guests and our creatures. With your help, we can make this possible!

We hope you enjoy your visit to Butterfly Wonderland.

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