Meet Science Standards with Fun Field Trips

Encourage active learning and engage students in discovery-oriented science lessons at the Botanic Garden. Students will learn through games, reenactments, role playing and other activities that make learning fun.

Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten: 1 – 1.5 hours
First Grade and Second Grade: 2 hours
Third Grade - Fifth Grade: 2.5 - 3 hours

$4.00 per child

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Meet State Standards with Garden Field Trips

Pre-Kindergarten—Kindergarten

This interactive tour helps students understand that plants are living things that depend on the sun. Students learn about the structure of plants and the importance of plants by playing games, singing songs, and participating in hands on activities. Features of bees, earthworms, and other animals will be explored.

First Grade

Wearing bee goggles, tasting honey, and hunting for leaves are only a few of the adventures that children will experience in the Garden. Learning about the needs and structure of plants and animals becomes an exciting experience while exploring the 11 acres that make up the Garden.

Second Grade

Students become detectives in order to learn about the life cycles of plants and animals. As they visit different parts of the Garden, they engage in interactive activities such as becoming part of a flower, removing chlorophyll from a leaf, and simulating the movement of water and sugar though a plant. Detectives also explore the role animals play in seed dispersal and pollination.

Third Grade

As explorers, students tour through the regions of Georgia. They learn how pollution affects these regions and how plants and animals in these regions adapt in order to survive. Activities include digging up trash in the Garbage Graveyard and portraying a gopher tortoise, an eastern indigo snake, or a red cockaded woodpecker, which are all threatened species in the southeastern coastal plain.

Fourth Grade

As Eco-Warriors, students work to improve the environment, protect the environment, and save organisms that live in a variety of ecosystems. They also learn about the role of producers, consumers, and decomposers in a food chain, and explore the water cycle.

Fifth Grade

After becoming botanists, students become part of a plant cell, classify plants, and become gene pairs to learn about inherited traits. They also examine various vascular plants, non-vascular plants, and play a game of charades to discuss beneficial and harmful microorganisms.

Any tour can be customized to meet your specific needs whether students come to the Garden or Garden staff comes to your classroom!