

# ELEMENTARY FIELD TRIP EDUCATION PROGRAMS



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## CLASSROOM PROGRAMS

30-45 minute interactive education programs led by our staff members!

<b>Frances &amp; Friends</b>	Participants will accompany a sea turtle on a storybook adventure learning about adaptations that animals have for living on a coral reef, and how those adaptations serve a specific purpose. They will also explore some of the symbiotic relationships that exist within this ecosystem. Great for pre-k ages!
<b>Let's Make a Seal</b>	Participants will understand how some marine animals are adapted to their aquatic environment in a game show style activity. Throughout playing the game, participants will observe and discuss how these adaptations are important to survival!
<b>Poles Apart</b>	Participants will examine patterns in animal adaptations of species found at the North and South Poles. They will participate in an activity to determine the predator-prey relationships present in the Polar regions!
<b>Bare Necessities</b>	Participants will learn the basic needs living things must have to survive and how an organism's environment can meet them. Ambassador animal(s) may be presented to discuss the ways in which animals are suited for the environments in which they live!
<b>Colorful Canopies</b>	Participants will play games to learn about the camouflage adaptations of rainforest animals and the food web found in a rainforest habitat. They will explore predator-prey relationships in the rainforest and may have the opportunity to meet an animal ambassador. Great for pre-k ages!
<b>What's My Design</b>	Participants will learn where rainforests are located, the type of weather and climate that animals and plants experience year round, and how animals adapt to their multi-layered rainforest environment. Animal ambassador(s) may be presented to represent animals that correlate to rainforest layers and further discuss their adaptations!

## GUIDED PYRAMID TOURS

Learn amazing facts on a 45 minute tour of your chosen pyramid led by our staff members!

<b>Aquarium Pyramid</b>	Select a general tour OR one of our FOCUS topic tours where staff will dive in depth about a specific topic within that pyramid such as: Camouflage, Adaptations, Habitats, etc.
<b>Rainforest Pyramid</b>	Select a general tour OR one of our FOCUS topic tours where staff will dive in depth about a specific topic within that pyramid such as: Camouflage, Adaptations, Habitats, etc.

## BEYOND BIOFACTS

Choose your theme and see nature in a different light with a 45 minute presentation of our biofacts collection!

<b>Aquarium Themes</b>	Corals: Communities of the Sea, Penguin Palaces, or Sharks & Sea Skeletons
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## PRE-K EXPEDITIONS

Exciting early learning through the use of themed activities that could include games, crafts, stories, or biofacts!

<b>Aquarium Themes</b>	Corals, Jellyfish, Reef fish, Seals, Sharks, Starfish, Stingrays
<b>Rainforest Themes</b>	Bats, Birds, Butterflies, Frogs, Monkeys, Otters, Plants, Reptiles, Sloths

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# MIDDLE SCHOOL FIELD TRIP EDUCATION PROGRAMS



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<b>Expedition Shark</b>	Participants will “follow” a tagged migrating shark to learn about Gulf ecosystems, food webs and scientific data collection. They will also learn how to locate provided GPS coordinates using the latitude and longitude lines on a map!
<b>Let’s Make a Seal</b>	Participants will understand how some marine animals are adapted to their aquatic environment in a game show style activity. Throughout playing the game, participants will observe and discuss how these adaptations are important to survival!
<b>Rendezvous at the Reef</b>	Participants will discover where coral reefs are located, how they are formed, problems they are facing, and conservation efforts. The importance of coral reefs within the ecosystem will also be discussed!
<b>Crawling, Jumping, and Flying</b>	Participants will learn about the habitats, characteristics, and adaptations of different insects. They will also discuss why insects are beneficial to people and the environment and may have the opportunity to meet an animal ambassador!
<b>Neighborhood Watch</b>	Participants will learn how plants and animals rely on each other for survival. They will help solve the mystery of some transported seeds by determining what type of seeds they are and which animal suspect has the characteristics required to access and transport them. Participants may get the opportunity to meet suspect animal ambassadors to aid in their investigation!
<b>Tropical Tracks</b>	Participants will learn about the world’s rainforests by using knowledge of rainforest geography and critical thinking skills to answer trivia questions and solve clues. Some situation cards may lead to an animal ambassador visit correlating to different rainforest regions!

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## EXPLORE SOME MORE

A 2 hour "Behind the Scenes" to learn about animal care, conservation and environments! (Smaller groups only)

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<b>Conservation Reef</b>	Participants will experience a simulated research dive to observe the Flower Garden Banks National Marine Sanctuary. They will learn about the research methods and conservation efforts of scientific divers on coral reefs located off the Texas coast!
<b>Save Our Seas</b>	Participants will learn about ocean conservation through a variety of activities, games, and/or demonstrations. They will understand what problems the oceans face, why we should conserve the oceans, and possible ways they can help!
<b>Conserve 2 Preserve</b>	Participants will learn why sustainability is important and how they can preserve nonrenewable resources through different games that demonstrate the effects of overusing them. Animal ambassadors may be showcased to discuss the effects of sustainability on wildlife!
<b>Rainforest Rescue</b>	Participants will learn how their actions affect rainforests and what effects rainforests have on their lives. They will also learn about some of the threats rainforest plants and animals face, and might meet an animal ambassador to discuss the importance of sustainability!
<b>Survival</b>	Participants will learn about everyday products that originate from rainforests. Through a series of situation cards, teams will work together to "survive" a trek through the rainforest. Teams will analyze what resources they need to bring, what resources they could find in the wild, test their knowledge on wildlife with possible help from animal ambassadors, and discover how their knowledge of the rainforest might help them in various scenarios!

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