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FIELD TRIP BOOKING GUIDE

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Wildlife Images has been a staple in the community for field trips for generations. Many returning groups will notice our way of doing field trips has changed and we think it will be for the better. **Our facility now has a self-guided format more closely resembling other larger, more established zoological organizations.**

This open campus layout allows much more freedom for groups to take their walking tour at their pace. If you want to spend 20 minutes watching the bears wallow in their pools you can! We do, however, greatly encourage groups to see the whole facility - we have over 100 animals that call Wildlife Images home and each of them has a part to play in advocating for wildlife and conservation, not only in Southern Oregon, but also globally!

**Please see the Field Trip Education Guide for further educational material to make your field trips engaging, meaningful, and as always - fun!**

If you have any further questions about self-guided tours feel free to email Chase, the Education Coordinator, at chases@wildlifeimages.org
The following time slots are available for field trips: 10am, 10:30am, 11am, 11:30am, 12pm, and 1pm from September through June. Each group is allotted 2 hours for their trip: this includes arrival and departure as well as the self-guided tour. Up to 150 total guests (including all students, chaperones, and teachers) can be accommodated in each time slot. If your group is larger than 150 people total you will need to make two time slot requests.

We require the following number of chaperones per visit:

- 2nd grade and below: 1 chaperone per 5 students
- 3rd grade to 8th grade: 1 chaperone per 8 students
- 9th grade to 12th grade: 1 chaperone per 12 students

Example: A group of 100 first-grade students would require 20 chaperones (including teachers), for a total of 120 total participants.

Admission Cost

We offer students a discounted tour price of $5.

The required number of chaperones gain free admission! (Teachers are counted as chaperones). Any additional adults will receive the discounted ticket rate of $5.
DO NOT PARK IN THE MAIN PARKING LOT!!!

All field trip vehicles (buses, vans and individual vehicles) are to park in our overflow parking - signs will point the way.

A Wildlife Images staff member will meet you in that area to finalize head counts and give a short introductory speech.

Mountain Lion Meadows (fenced area with picnic tables) is a great place to gather both students and chaperones and begin splitting into groups prior to setting off. Feel free to use the picnic tables before or after your tour! Please be courteous to other tours coming and going. Clean up after your group by placing trash and recycling in the appropriate containers, ensuring lids are closed.

Keep students in Mountain Lion Meadows except for loading, unloading and using portable restrooms. This is a great place to get out any wiggles that may have built up on the bus ride over! But please remember, once on the tour path students need to be calm and respectful.

PLEASE HAVE PAYMENT AND FINAL HEADCOUNT READY PRIOR TO ARRIVAL AT WILDLIFE IMAGES.
Student Guidelines

Before arriving for your field trip to Wildlife Images, we recommend preparing your students not only behaviorally but also academically. Research and experience have shown that the most memorable and impactful field trips are those that are connected to what they are already learning in the classroom. Please see our Field Trip Education Guide on our website for further details on how to connect students with wildlife. Below are the behavioral guidelines we expect from students; be clear with them on these guidelines and consequences if they do not follow.

- Students are to be with designated chaperones at all times
- Remain at least a full arm’s length away from enclosures
- Use a quiet, calm voice and make sure to walk - be courteous to the animals that live at Wildlife Images as this is their home
- Rocks, leaves, and especially bird feathers need to stay on the ground and are not to be taken home

Chaperone Guidelines

Chaperones are a vital part of a positive experience. They are not just there to supervise but to also act as educational interpreters. Sound intimidating? Don’t worry - we have the resources to help! Please see our Field Trip Education Guide on our website for more details on the educational aspect of your field trip.

The following are guidelines for chaperones to follow:

- Keep students in a group - regular head counts ensure nobody gets lost
- Know arrival and departure times, where to park, and whether or not students will be allowed to visit the gift shop to make purchases after their tour
- Ask the students questions! Let them be curious about their experience and stimulate further questions!

We recommend splitting students and chaperones in the groups of similar size to ratios seen in the "How to Schedule" section.
After reading this guide thoroughly please see the Wildlife Images website to fill out a digital request form.

We always honor requests in chronological order and will be in contact within 2-5 business days on the status of your request. If you have questions regarding your request please feel free to email fieldtrips@wildlifeimages.org - please do not call our front desk as depending on the time of year we receive dozens of field trip requests and we must honor them in chronological order.

YOUR RESERVATION IS NOT GUARANTEED UNTIL YOU HAVE RECEIVED A CONFIRMATION VIA EMAIL. FIELD TRIPS ARE SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY.

Wildlife Images reserved the right to determine if a field trip request falls within what we consider an academic facility. By filling out the digital request form you have read and understand all information in this Booking Guide

THANK YOU for choosing Wildlife Images as your field trip destination. Together we can foster a love and respect for wildlife in the coming generations.