



ALLEY POND
ENVIRONMENTAL CENTER

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Parking is limited. Bus drop-off only.
Carpooling is suggested.

CLASS VISITS 2023-2024

K-5th Grades

- 90 minute program includes:
 - Choice of 8 trip topics*
 - Live animal presentation
 - Nature walk
 - Large Room: \$270**/up to 30 students
 - Small Room: \$180**/up to 20 students
 - Teachers & paras are FREE
 - Number of parent chaperones depends on group size: \$8 per parent chaperone
 - \$50 non-refundable deposit per class due at booking

*Trip topics include:

- Insects vs. Arachnids (Grades 3-5)
- Animals & Their Young (Grades K-1, compares mammals & birds; Grades 2-5, compares mammals, birds, & reptiles)
- Awesome Amphibians (Grades K-5)
- Pond Discovery (Grades K-5)
- Endangered Species (Grades 4-5)
- Fascinating Forests (Grades K-5)
- Native Americans in Queens (Grades 2-5)
- Seasonal Adaptations (Grades K-5)

See reverse for topic descriptions

*** Additional charge of \$9.00 per student if more than room fee package*

Smaller class size accommodations

60 minute programs available for people with disabilities

Children

- Program includes live animal presentation and nature walk
- \$7.50 per student, minimum \$60 per reservation
- Teachers & paras are FREE
- \$50 non-refundable deposit per class due at booking

Adults

- Program includes live animal presentation and nature walk
- \$8 per adult, minimum \$80 per reservation
- Teachers & paras are FREE
- \$50 non-refundable deposit per class due at booking

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Insects vs. Arachnids:

(Grades 3-5)

What is an insect? What is an arachnid? How do insects differ from arachnids? Students will learn about the unique characteristics of these fascinating invertebrates and better understand the importance of these amazing creatures.

Aligns with Next Generation Learning Standards.



Animals & Their Young:

(For grades K-5. Teachers choose 2 animal groups to compare during lesson: mammals, birds, or reptiles.)

Are all animal babies born and raised the same way? This lesson introduces students to the developmental differences and similarities amongst mammals, birds, and reptiles.

Aligns with Next Generation Learning Standards.

Awesome Amphibians:

(Grades K-5)

Frogs, salamanders, and caecilians are the only three amphibian groups alive today but among them they have over 4000 species! Learn about these engaging skin-breathers & the metamorphosis that makes them truly amazing.

Aligns with Next Generation Learning Standards.

Pond Discovery:

(Grades K-5)

Explore and learn about the physical characteristics of a pond, the biotic and abiotic elements of the ecosystem, and meet some of its local inhabitants.

Aligns with Next Generation Learning Standards.

Endangered Species:

(Grades 4-5)

This vital program will distinguish between the terms threatened, endangered & extinct allowing students to understand why so many animal populations are disappearing at an alarming rate. Additionally, students will examine products of the illegal wildlife trade. Students will also learn about green choices they can make to promote a healthier planet.

Aligns with Next Generation Learning Standards.



Fascinating Forests:

(Grades K-5)

Students will discover what makes the eastern deciduous forest so unique. Food chains, habitats, layers of the forest, and its inhabitants will be highlighted.

Aligns with Next Generation Learning Standards.



Native Americans in Queens:

(Grades 2-5)

The Matinecock Tribal Nation has a long and proud history in Queens and western Long Island. During this lesson, students will learn about the traditions and customs of the Matinecock People. A discussion of daily life and tools of survival will give children a better understanding of Native American culture and their respect for nature. Students might also be surprised to learn that some Matinecock still live in neighboring communities.

Aligns with Next Generation Learning Standards.

Seasonal Adaptations:

(Grades K-5)

How do the animals and plants survive the changing seasons in New York City? From hibernation to migration, diet change to dormancy, students will learn about the special adaptations animals have to survive in their ever changing environment.

Aligns with Next Generation Learning Standards.