Tips for a Successful Field Trip

Pricing

Elementary, Middle, High Schools, and Homeschool Groups
  • $160 minimum for up to 20 students
  • $8 for each additional student
  • Faculty is free
  • Parent chaperones are $10 per person
  • All prices above are before tax.

Non School Affiliated Groups
  • $160 minimum for up to 16 children
  • $8 for each additional child
  • Faculty is free
  • Parent chaperones are $10 per person
  • All prices above are before tax.

College Field Trips
  • $210 minimum for up to 15 people
  • $14 for each additional person
  • All prices above are before tax.

Scheduling

To schedule a field trip please contact our Education Director, Katie Cannon, at 919-542-4684 ext.3006, or KatieCannon@CarolinaTigerRescue.org.

The following information is needed to schedule your tour:

  • Name and Address of School
  • Contact Person's Phone Number and Email
  • Number of Students expected to attend
  • Number of Teachers
  • Number of Parent Chaperones expected to attend
  • Method of Payment

Please know that our schedule fills up quickly, and the fall, spring, and summer seasons are our busiest times of the year. Please plan ahead and have several dates in mind for a possible field trip date. Summer Field Trip dates book up at least 1-2 months in advance.

Please know that your tour is scheduled for 2 hours. We cannot run over the time we allotted for your group, as our guides are usually volunteers and we need to respect their time and availability. Please plan to arrive early to ensure all paperwork for the children is filled out properly, and for attending adults to fill out their paperwork as well. We understand that unexpected things may
come up, so if you are running late please call to let us know right away. We cannot add time onto the end of your time slot though, so your tour will be shortened accordingly.

**Tour Information**

During your tour, your trained tour guide will introduce you to each of our resident animals along the tour path. These carnivores come to us from a variety of backgrounds, and you will learn their individual histories as well as information about the species they represent. You will safely be 4 feet from a tiger!

All tours are walking tours and last between 1.5-2 hours. The tour path is a gravel path, and it is highly recommended that everyone on the tour wears comfortable, closed toed shoes. Please ensure everyone dresses appropriately for the weather. Tours go out rain or shine, but will not go out during thunderstorms.

The field trip will be divided into groups of 25, including teachers and chaperones. Please plan accordingly so that you have at least one teacher or chaperone with each group. Please have your groups divided before you arrive so that we can get started as quickly as possible.

**Chaperones**

There is not a set chaperone policy. The only requirement is if your group size exceeds 25 people, and is divided up into at least two groups, that you are prepared to have at least one adult with each group to help the tour guide maintain order. Please know we cannot exceed 100 guests per day. If you are coming with many students, keep this in mind as you ask for parent chaperones. This is so that we do not overwhelm the animals.

**Eating at Carolina Tiger Rescue**

Carolina Tiger Rescue has 10 picnic tables that are available to you if you choose to bring your lunch. We ask that you bring a trash bag to collect trash items, but the trash can be left here for us to dispose of. Please ensure that all trash is picked up before you leave. We cannot afford for it to blow into the sanctuary and into animal enclosures. We do not have food for sale other than a selection of candy, chips, soda, and water in the gift shop.

**Gift Shop**

There is a gift shop on-site that has a wide range of items available for purchase. If you prefer for your group not to visit the gift shop please let us know ahead of time so we can notify the tour guides. The gift shop is not a large space and can easily become congested. Because of limited space, we ask that only those planning on making purchases be allowed to visit the gift shop.

**Bathrooms**

The building is equipped with 3, single stall, restrooms. It is highly recommended that restroom needs are taken care of before arriving at the sanctuary. We of course will allow anyone to use the restroom that needs to, but keep in mind this will take time away from your tour.

**Tour Focus**
Tours generally cover a wide variety of information. If you have a specific subject matter you would like our guides to focus on, please let us know as soon as possible so we can prepare them for that.

**Payment**

Payment is due at the time of the tour, unless you have made other arrangements with our Education Director about invoicing your group after the tour.

**Signed Minor Release Forms**

Every child must have a Minor Release Form signed by their legal guardian for them to attend the tour. This form can be found under the Field Trip page in the Learn tab on our website - CarolinaTigerRescue.org. If a child does not have a signed form with them when you arrive, they will not be permitted to go on the tour. These forms must be present at the time of the tour. Please take the time before you arrive to ensure every child has a form that is completed by their legal guardian.