



Prepare to bring your students to Red Butte Garden

Complete this checklist before your field trip.

- I have forwarded the Pre- Field Trip Guidelines to my chaperones.
- I have reviewed the Garden Safety information.
- I have reviewed the Respectful Behavior Guides with my students.
- I shared the Field Trip Drop Off and Parking Map with my chaperones and bus drivers.

Red Butte Garden has three types of field trips. Reference your confirmation email to confirm your trip type.

Review the following trip specific information below for your field trip type.

DIY Red Butte Garden Field Trip

School groups are not able to have lunch at Red Butte Garden. Arrange for an alternative spot by reviewing our Lunch Spot Recommendations in your confirmation emails.

Check your confirmation email for the DIY resources such as printable student journals.

Red Butte Garden Field Trip + Field Investigation

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Your students will receive field journals and pencils at Red Butte Garden. Garden Educators will be stationed throughout the Garden with investigation activities.

Partnership Red Butte Garden Field Trip + Field Investigation + NHMU

All groups arrive and depart from the NHMU Bus Drop Off. Lunches are taken into NHMU during arrival.

NHMU has a lunchroom that is reserved for your group. See confirmation email for more details.

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If you need to cancel or reschedule your field trip please email fieldtrips@redbutte.utah.edu. For day of cancelations please call (801) 213-7023.

Garden Safety

All Field Trips are OUTSIDE in the Garden

- Students are under the care and supervision of the teachers and chaperones while at the Garden.
- Teachers and chaperones must be on site and assisting students for the entire field trip.
- Please fill up water bottles before coming to the Garden.

Animals at the Garden

- Wild animals make their home in the Garden. Your group may see rattlesnakes, squirrels, bobcats, coyotes, over 100 types of bees, insects and more.
- Some wild animals can be dangerous. Be alert for wild animals and stay on paths. The Garden cannot control the behavior of wild animals.
- Teachers and chaperones need to stay with students and keep them away from animals.
- Do not approach, touch, or tease any animals.
- Stay on paths and use walking feet.

Weather at the Garden

- The Garden is in the foothills. Weather can be different from the rest of the Salt Lake Valley. Plan on colder temperatures and more snow or ice when valley temperatures are low.
- Check the weather before your visit. Choose clothes and shoes that will be comfortable to spend up to 2 hours outside.
- The Garden reserves the right to cancel a field trip due to unsafe weather or air quality conditions at the Garden.

Student Respectful Behavior Guides

Please share the following information with your students.

- You will be practicing science at Red Butte Garden!
- The Garden is an outdoor natural area that you will be exploring. Stay on the path.
- The Garden is home to many plants and animals. Do not step on plants or go up to animals.
- The Garden is a living museum. You cannot take anything from the Garden, but you may touch plants with a soft touch. Do not eat plants (unless given by a Garden staff member).
- Always stay with your adult chaperone or teacher.

Chaperone Guidelines

- You are responsible for your students as you lead them around the garden.
- Your role is to keep students safe while they are at the garden and monitor their behavior.
- Remind students to stay on the path, walk, and stay close to you. This helps students be safer in a rattlesnake habitat.
- Please limit cell phone usage as you keep attention on the students in your care.
- Be prepared to explore the garden by wearing comfortable walking shoes and weather appropriate clothing.
- Our funding covers admission for chaperones at a 1:5 adult to student ratio. Additional chaperones exceeding this ratio will be asked to pay the Garden admission rate of \$16.