

Your field trip to the Boardman River Nature Center is soon!

Safety is incredibly important to us and therefore, we have a few rules to help protect both our visitors and the Natural Education Reserve. Please review the following guidelines with your student(s) to ensure a safe and enjoyable experience for all.

Guidelines for All Visitors:

- Respect Plants & Wildlife:
 - Keep a safe distance from and do not chase, feed, shout at, etc. wildlife – we are in their home!
 - **Do not** pick flowers, carve into tree bark, rip leaves from plants, etc.
 - We **do not eat** anything found in the wilderness
- Respect the Nature Center & Trails:
 - **Stay on the trail** behind program leaders
 - Take nothing but pictures, leave nothing but footprints – help us take care of this special place
 - Please utilize trash and recycling bins found in and around the Nature Center
 - Treat materials gently (including Nature Center exhibits)
- Respect Program Leaders:
 - Follow instructions, listen when someone is talking, raise your hand to be called on, and stay behind leaders on the trails
- Respect Yourself & Each Other:
 - Keep yourself and others safe by following rules and directions and **HAVE FUN!**
- Respect Other Visitors:
 - Be courteous by sharing the spaces and trails while using appropriate voice levels

Guidelines for Chaperones:

- Assist program leaders by reinforcing the above guidelines and additional rules
- Know the teacher's expectations and guidelines
- Discipline students if/when necessary and report any major infractions to the teacher
- Stay with your group and keep students in your line of sight at all times
- Be positive and have fun – you are encouraged to participate in activities and support program leaders
- Be present, focused, and safety conscious – help keep students quiet and/or engaged
- Only use phone for photos* and emergencies

** Please be aware that some students have photo restrictions; this means their parents/guardians have formally requested they not be photographed at school or school activities. If you take photos, verify that the students you photograph do not have photo restrictions (teachers have this information). Do not post photos of students on your personal social media.*