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Contact and Scheduling Information

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Please use the Scheduling Application included in this brochure to request a Talking Tree Program. You may also call-in program reservations and download additional Talking Tree Scheduling Applications on our website.

To have an application and information packet emailed to you, please contact us by mail, phone, fax, or email. If you have any questions or comments feel free to contact us. We are happy to work with you and adjust our programs to meet your specific needs.

After you have filled out the Scheduling Application, submit it by fax, email or mail. Once your application has been received and processed, you will receive a written confirmation as well as an enrichment packet full of pre- and post- activity ideas to enhance your experience.

Fees

Talking Tree Field Trips are \$50.00 per class of up to 25 students, and Talking Tree Classroom Visits are \$40.00 per class of up to 25 students. Teachers and chaperones are free.

Hours and Capacity

Talking Tree programs are offered Tuesday through Friday throughout the year. Space is limited, so register early!

The Talking Tree



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The Talking Tree, a delightful introductory presentation for young children, addresses how trees and people are dependent on each other and emphasizes why we must plant and help care for trees.

The Talking Tree is geared towards students pre-school through kindergarten in individual classes.

The Lessons

The classroom part of the Talking Tree program engages students in exploring the importance of trees in their world. A costumed naturalist leads them through a series of interactive lessons that help them learn how trees are important to humans and animals, how they are similar to and different from trees, and how they can help trees and the environment. The guided nature walk, which is an integral part of all Talking Tree Field Trips, takes students on a sensory and vocabulary journey through the old growth forest to learn about plant and tree diversity.

The Seward Park Environmental & Audubon Center

At the Seward Park Environmental & Audubon Center we inspire *exploration, discovery, and stewardship of the natural world through enhanced learning and maturing experiences that promote healthy, sustainable communities*. Located on a 277-acre peninsula in southeast Seattle, Seward Park features the largest remaining stand of old-growth forest in the city, two active bald eagle nests, and a wide array of plants and animals. Surrounded on three sides by Lake Washington, it is truly a natural oasis in the heart of Seattle and the perfect place to teach future generations about the importance of the natural world.



Talking Tree Field Trips

Bring your class to the Seward Park Environmental & Audubon Center for a Talking Tree presentation followed by an easy hike into the forest to meet some of the Talking Tree's friends.

- Limited to groups of 25 students or less
- The Talking Tree presentation at the Center lasts about 30 minutes, and the hike into the forest lasts an additional 30 minutes, for a total of 1 hour.
- The fee is \$50.00 per class of up to 25 students and helps us supplement staff time, wear and tear on the Talking Tree suit and other expenses. Teachers and chaperones are free.

Talking Tree Class Visits

While we recognize the importance of getting kids outside and involved in nature, we also understand your transportation difficulties. If you can't make it to the Center, we're happy to bring the Talking Tree to your classroom.

- Presentations should be for 25 students or less and will last 30 minutes.
- We recommended that teachers try to coordinate requests so The Talking Tree may visit several classrooms one after the other rather than make several trips to one school at different times.
- The fee is \$40.00 per class of up to 25 students.
- Because our naturalists use public transportation, Talking Tree classroom visits are restricted to those areas west of Lake Washington, south of Denny Way, and north of S. 128th St.



Scheduling Application

Please submit one scheduling application per class.

Date _____

Organization/School _____

Contact Person(s) _____

Position/Title _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone Number (_____) _____

Email _____

What ages are the students in your class? _____

How many students are in your class? _____

We need at least 1 chaperone per 10 students. How many other teachers or adults will be participating, and what are their names? _____

Does your group have any special needs that should be addressed? _____

Which program do you prefer (circle one)?

Talking Tree Field Trip

Talking Tree Class Visit

Language (circle one)

English

Spanish (limited availability)

Talking Tree presentations last either 1 hour (field trips) or 30 minutes (class visits) and are available Tuesdays through Fridays throughout the year. Please consult your calendar and give several possible dates and start times for programs.

Date Choice

Start Time

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Please tear off this panel and mail or fax this application back to us. Don't forget your stamp!

Remember, you can also call-in Talking Tree reservations!