

OUTREACH PROGRAM PLANNER

The Austin Nature and Science Center is a regional environmental education center located in Zilker Park in the heart of Austin, Texas. We offer a variety of quality informal science experiences to support and enrich classroom curriculum. Trained and knowledgeable staff engage students in TEKS-based activities integrating the rigor of the classroom science experience with the relevance of the field experience.

SCHEDULING INFORMATION FOR ALL PROGRAMS

Registration Procedures

- Download the **registration form**. Fill out all the information. Sign it and email it to anscprograms@austintexas.gov, or Fax it to 512-974-3885, or fill out the form online and email it to the above address.
- If there is a problem with your first choice for program date and time, the registrar will call or email you to discuss your schedule options.
- Outreach programs over 20 miles round trip from ANSC will be charged an additional \$1/mile.
- The reservation for your requested program, date and time is not confirmed until you receive an email notice from the Austin Nature and Science Center.

Custom Programs and Special Needs

*ANSC will design a program to meet the needs of your group. Staff can adjust program presentation to accommodate different ages, needs, and interests.

* Programs are available for students with special needs. Please let us know if you require special accommodation for your program.

* Scholarship funds are available for schools that meet the requirements.

Payments, Cancellations and Refunds

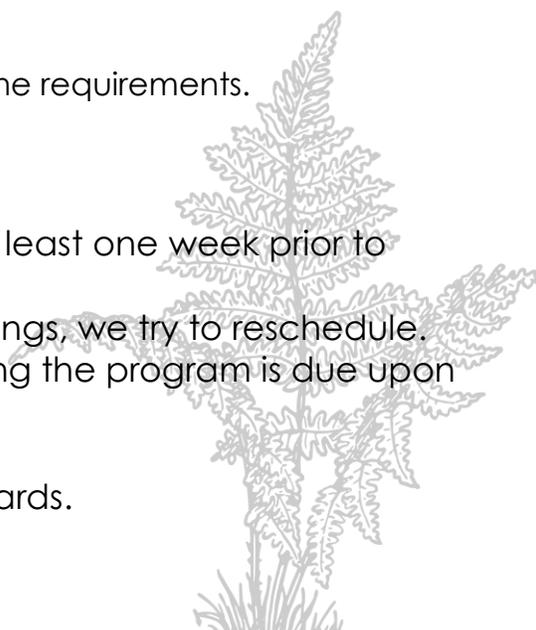
*Written notice of cancellation must be received at least one week prior to scheduled date.

*If a program is cancelled due to school or city closings, we try to reschedule.

*Payment for the students and chaperones attending the program is due upon arrival.

*Teachers are admitted to the program for FREE.

*ANSC accepts cash, checks and all major credit cards.



IMPORTANT GUIDELINES

- *Upon arrival at your site the ANSC staff will check in at the front or main office. If there is a different entrance you would like us to use, please let us know ahead of time.
- *Programs start and end at the scheduled time. We will arrive early for set up.
- *Chaperones and teachers are responsible for the behavior of their group and must remain with their groups throughout the program.
- *If we are doing a program for more than one class please provide enough space to set up stations for the classes to rotate through.
- * Any program that includes animals or the planetarium require indoor space.

All school programs are correlated to **Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS)**. A list of relevant TEKS that are addressed in each program is included in the individual program description.

Any **questions or concerns** about programs or exhibits at the Austin Nature and Science Center site or the Sheffield Education Center please call us at 512-974-3888 or email us at anscprograms@austintexas.gov.

