

Planning a School Community Trip to the New York Aquarium

Here are some simple steps to help make your School Community trip to the New York Aquarium a rich and enjoyable experience for Urban Advantage students and their families:

Ideally, visit the Aquarium before your visit with your families, using your Teacher/Parent Coordinator Vouchers (ivory colored).

It is best to come with a plan for your field trip. While it is possible to view everything the Aquarium has to offer in one visit, consider having a focus to your trip by having your families share in an activity to observe mammal behaviors or explore how species interact in our coral exhibits.

Always know how to get to where you are going! You can find travel directions, Aquarium hours, and special show and feeding times at <u>nyaquarium.com</u>.

The New York Aquarium continues to transform, now with our new *PlayQuarium* and *Spineless* exhibit open to visitors. The *Ocean Wonders: Sharks!* exhibit is an excellent opportunity to explore local wildlife, including more than five shark species! Our larger marine residents, including our sea lions, harbor seals and penguins, are out and about at our Sea Cliffs exhibits. Don't forget about the dives and flips at the Sea Lion Celebration in our Aquatheater!

Steps for taking your School Community trip:

- 1. Go to http://uanyc.science/NYAprograms and fill out the web form to book your visit. We will send you a confirmation invoice and reservation number via email within two business days. Print this confirmation and bring it with you when you visit the Aquarium. You can also contact nyaeducation@wcs.org or (800) 433-4149
- 2. Write your reservation number on the lower-right corner of your completed voucher(s).
- 3. When you arrive, show the Admissions gate agent your confirmation and turn in your voucher(s).
- 4. Please note: vouchers do not include parking. Parking for cars is pay by the hour, and buses can drop off alongside Surf Ave.
- 5. Have a wonderful day at the New York Aquarium!

If you have any questions about booking your trip, please contact nyaeducation@wcs.org or (800) 433-4149