



## **Planning a School Community Trip to the Staten Island Zoo**

Here are some simple steps to help make your School Community to the Staten Island Zoo a rich and fun experience for your Urban Advantage students and their families.

Ideally, visit the Staten Island Zoo before your visit with your families. You can use your Parent Coordinator vouchers for this pre-visit. If you have any questions about the vouchers, please contact Justin Ramsey by email at [jramsey@amnh.org](mailto:jramsey@amnh.org) or by telephone at 212-313-7480. During your visit, take note of the location of the bathrooms, café, and any exhibits that may relate to topics studied in your school.

Once you have a firm date for your visit, please email the education department at [education@statenilandzoo.org](mailto:education@statenilandzoo.org) to let us know the date of your visit and approximately how many people will be attending. There is no need for any further registration.

When you arrive, present your vouchers to the admission booth. The voucher is good for admission to all exhibits in the Zoo. Parking is free in the parking lot on the corner of Clove Road and Martling Avenue.

You can find travel directions, information about when the Staten Island Zoo is open to visitors, and information about special events at <http://www.statenilandzoo.org/>. We do not provide maps at the zoo, but you can see and print one from the website. You can also find differentiated Zoo Guides to prepare your students for the trip on the website.

The Staten Island Zoo is open rain or shine. Most of the Zoo's exhibits are indoors, so we are a great destination for a winter trip!

If you have any questions about your family trip or would like support materials and activities for your families, please contact David Zaitz at 718-442-3101 ext. 15 or [dzaitz@statenilandzoo.org](mailto:dzaitz@statenilandzoo.org).