



PRESCHOOLS & DAYCARES

Fieldtrip Information

Dear Preschool and Daycare Teachers,

We would like to invite you to bring your preschool and daycare children to the Paul Smith Children's Village at the Cheyenne Botanic Gardens for story time or for fieldtrips. The Children's Village offers many exciting learning opportunities for children year-round.

When groups come to the Children's Village, the education staff is available to lead learning experiences for your group. We encourage you to be thinking of ways that we can help supplement the topics you have been addressing in class. Examples of activities we have lead with preschool groups are:

Farm animals	Finger painting	Bugs
Seasonal/holiday crafts	Gardening	Trees
Seed planting	Yards	Soil painting

When planning a visit to the Children's Village, please keep the following things in mind:

- All group visits must be scheduled in advance, even if your group will not be having a guided program or tour. Spaces fill quickly, so please have alternate dates and times in mind.
- Story time is held every Friday at 11 a.m. The books and craft will be based on a theme and age-appropriate for children 2-5 years old. When bringing a group to story time, please call in advance and be prepared to pay \$1 per child.
- The Children's Village is closed on Mondays. Fieldtrips can be scheduled Tuesdays through Fridays.
- The optimal length of time for a daycare or pre-school fieldtrip is about 1 hour. Due to limited staff and space, we only schedule one group at a time.
- Peak fieldtrip times are during the months of September, October, April, May and June, so spaces fill quickly. If you wish to bring your groups during these times, we recommend you schedule your trip 1-2 months in advance.
- We charge \$1 per child for a fieldtrip that includes a craft or activity. For teachers who schedule more than one fieldtrip in the same school year, a 50% discount on all field trips is offered.
- Scholarships are available for groups that are unable to cover fees through other funding sources.
- The Lowe's Discovery Lab classroom is available for indoor activities, but we also conduct outdoor tours/activities when weather permits, so please have your students dress appropriately for the weather.
- We require at least 1 adult chaperone for every 5 children in your group.

If you have any additional questions please do not hesitate to contact the Children's Village at 637-6349 or either one of us by email. We hope to see you at the Children's Village this year.

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