Dear Educator,

Thank you for choosing to bring your students to the zoo. We want you and your students to have the best experience possible while you are here.

Studies show that the more familiar students are with their field trip destination, the more prepared they will be to learn during their visit. We hope that you will be able to take the time to share this presentation with your students before they visit the Zoo. I recommend that you also share this information with the chaperones.

Please note that the species on display may change as our staff biologists do their best to meet the needs of our animals. Therefore, the species highlighted in this presentation may vary slightly on the day of your visit.

Enjoy your walk with the animals!
Let's get ready to visit the Zoo!
Hi! My name is Baku and I am a Malayan tapir. I am here to help you get ready for your trip to the Zoo!

I’ll walk with you as you find out what you might see when you visit us.

Are you ready to get started?
When you get to the Zoo

Your teacher will give you a ticket. You will put that ticket under a red light so it can be read by a computer.

When the light turns green you can walk through the turnstile.
Know your way around!

The adult in your group can take a picture of this map to help you on your zoo journey.

There are maps like this all around the zoo.
The land around the Pacific Ocean is called the Pacific Rim. You will see animals from all over the world!
All these animals can be found in the Pacific Ocean.

- Moorish Idol
- Giant Pacific Octopus
- Rockfish
- California Sheephead
- Jellies
- Spotted Eagle Ray
- Scalloped Hammerhead Shark
Pacific Seas Aquarium
Tidal Touch Zone

Here you can meet animals that live in Puget Sound and along the Pacific coast. Touch gently with one finger!

- Sea Anemone
- Sea Cucumber
- Sea Urchin
- Limpet
- Hermit Crab
- Sea Star

Touch Animals Gently with One Finger
Please Do Not Pull or Lift the Animals
Remember to Wash After Touching
This Aquarium is closed for renovation. It is scheduled to re-open spring 2024 as the Tropical Reef Aquarium.
These animals are good at hiding. See which ones you can spot during your visit! You might even see me!
Budgie Buddies!

These small birds are colorful and fun to watch. The best way to see a budgie up close is to be quiet and move slowly.

Note to teachers: This exhibit is seasonal. Please check our website to see if the budgies will be accessible during your field trip.
This amazing pollinator garden attracts bees, butterflies, birds and other wildlife. It’s especially colorful in the spring.

This area is designed for children under the age of 6, but open to all.
Magellanic Penguins live on the rocky shores of South America.

I really like their outfits!
The Wild Wonders Outdoor Theater offers the animals a chance to show off their stuff!

Note to teachers: Full scripted presentations occur in the late spring and summer. However, these animals make scheduled appearances on stage all year! Visit our daily presentations page to confirm times.
Rocky Shores

- Common Murre
- Horned Puffin

Watch how these animals move around in their marine environment AND on land!

- Tufted Puffin
- California Sea Lion

I like to swim, but I’d never go in the ocean!

- Harbor Seal
- Sea Otter

- Pacific Walrus
Arctic Tundra

- Polar Bear
- Muskox
- Arctic Fox

I could never live in the Arctic. It's too cold for tapirs!
Did you know that American Red Wolves are one of the most endangered animals in the world?

There were eight puppies born here in 2019. It was very exciting!

Did you know that Malayan tapirs are also an endangered species?
Kids' Zone

- Meerkats
- Ruffed Lemurs
- Axolotl
- Poison Dart Frog
- Damaraland Mole Rat
- Hourglass Frog
- Magnificent Tree Frog
- Ornate Horned Frog

This area of the Zoo can get really busy. Kids, make sure to keep your adult with you!

Note to teachers: We recommend saving this area until last since students will want to stay and play on the climbing structures.
Kids’ Zone

- Prehensile-tailed Skink
- Bells Hingeback Tortoise
- Pancake Tortoise
- Giant Tailless Whipscorpion
- New Caledonian Giant Gecko
- Black Breasted Leaf Turtle
- Corn Snake
- Emerald Tree Boa
- Kenyan Sand Boa
- Green Tree Python
- Madagascar Hissing Cockroach
- Giant Leaf Insect

Will not be on exhibit in cold weather.

Can you move like any of these animals?

- Red-Bellied Piranha
- African Cichlids
Note to teachers: This exhibit is seasonal. Please check our website to see if goats will be accessible during your field trip.

Be sure to wash your hands after you pet or feed the animals!

Please don't feed them any of your food. They are on a special diet.
Plants from Around the World!

- Prickly Pear Cactus
- Wollemi Pine
- "Hot Lips" Salvia
- Eucalyptus
- Fern
- Bamboo

Please don’t pick our leaves or flowers. Leave them for everyone to see!
What to do if you get lost:

HELPFUL TIP: Take a good look at your adult chaperone. Remember what color hair they have, what color their clothes are. This will make it easier for us to help you find them!

Find a person in a blue or green Zoo shirt. These people work at the Zoo, and they will help you find your group.

DON’T PANIC!

You can also ask me questions about the animals.
Can you find the 6 restrooms?

I live in this part of the zoo!
The North Pacific Aquarium closed in March 2018. This building has been transformed into a behind the scenes area for our aquarium staff and is closed to visitors.

However, restrooms on the lower level will remain open.

We don't know yet what will happen with this building. But I'm sure it will be amazing!
If you have time and it’s okay with your teacher, check out these other attractions:

- Plaza Café
- Gift Shop
- Carousel

The carousel costs $2.00 to ride!
On your ZOO day please.....

Keep an eye on your CHAPERONE! They would be lost without you!

Be KIND to the animals and other visitors. This means using quiet voices. Please don’t ever throw something into where an animal lives!

Be SAFE....this means always using walking feet, especially on slippery paths and stairs.

Have FUN and see some amazing animals! Look for me and say hello!

Being SAFE also means staying on the pathways and keeping your feet on the ground.