



# OHIO BIRD SANCTUARY

# Field Trip Booklet



Dear Teachers,

At the Ohio Bird Sanctuary, we are dedicated to caring for and rehabilitating Ohio native birds, protecting natural habitat, and creating opportunities for people to engage with nature. The Sanctuary is home to over 70 resident birds who can no longer survive in the wild. Our trails are made up of forest and wetland habitats, and our Treehouse Classroom is set for hands-on activities. It is the perfect setting for a field trip!

During your field trip, we will try to spend as much time as we can in nature! Come enjoy a live bird of prey presentation in our outdoor amphitheater, hike the trails, view where our resident birds live, and explore the treetops in our Treehouse Classroom! Don't worry, the Education Center is the perfect space for presentations and activities should inclement weather arise.


Check out our field trip options below to "Build your own Field Trip"! When you are ready to schedule, please reach out to us, so we can get you on our calendar as soon as possible! .

There is so much to do here at the Sanctuary, and we can't wait to meet your students!

- OBS Staff and Education Animals ↓↓

## How to Schedule a Field Trip

Please call the Ohio Bird Sanctuary (419-884-4295) between 10AM - 4PM on Tuesday through Friday. Please ask to speak to an "Education Staff Member".

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- If no education staff member is available, we will take a message and call you back at our earliest availability. Please let us know the length of desired field trip, the approximate group size, and possible program date.
  - If you are unable to call during the above hours, you can send us an email at [ohiobirdprograms@gmail.com](mailto:ohiobirdprograms@gmail.com).
  - Note about scheduling: Field trips are scheduled on a "first come, first served" basis. We cannot guarantee a specific date or time. During our busy spring field trip season (March-May), our calendar fills up very quickly. If you are interested in scheduling a field trip during these months, please reach out to schedule as soon as possible.

\* Due to the popularity of our field trips and our desire to serve as many groups as possible, we will need to schedule your field trip start time as early in the day as possible, or later in the afternoon.

# Build Your Own Field Trip

**Pick your field trip time length and select which activities you would like to do on your field trip!**

## Field Trip Times:

- **1.5 hour field trip: Pick 2 activities**
- **2.5 hour field trip: Pick 3 activities**
- **3.5 hour field trip: Pick 4 activities (Not recommended for groups PreK - 1st Grade)**

\*For 3.5 hour - Your field trip includes about 2 hours of outside time, which does make it weather dependent. If weather appears inclement, staff will contact you 24-48 hours before. In the case of inclement weather, you have the option to switch the activities you have chosen for the field trip or shorten the field trip.

\*Each field trip has the option of adding a 30 minute lunch to the field trip. We have picnic tables available.

\*Each field trip may add admission to the bird area for \$1 per person. This would allow you to visit the Bird Display Area at your own pace (without a staff member) either before or after your field trip

## Activity Options:

- Bird of Prey Presentation: Enjoy an informative bird of prey presentation and view our feathered friends up-close outside of their enclosures.
- Nature Hike: Take a guided hike along our trails to learn about the different plants and animals in our area as well as play some games!
- Owl & Owl Pellet Dissection: Meet an owl up-close and learn about owl pellets! Then, embrace your inner detective, by dissecting a real owl pellet to figure out what the owl ate for dinner!
- Bird Display Area Tour: Go on a guided tour of the Bird Display Area to learn about the resident birds living at the Sanctuary.  
\* This activity option is only available for field trips starting before we open (prior to 10:00am) or ending after we close (after 4:00pm). \*
- Treehouse Experience: Meet a bird and complete a hands-on activity in the Treehouse Classroom!  
(Weather dependent: May be substituted for another option at discretion of OBS staff during poor weather conditions)





# Pricing

\*All individuals should be included in the number (teachers, students, and chaperones).

\*For Home School groups, all parents and siblings (3 years old and older) will be counted in the numbers. Children 2 years old and younger are free.

Full payment is required in order to schedule your field trip.

	1.5 Hour Field Trip	2.5 Hour Field Trip	3.5 Hour Field Trip
1-25 Individuals	\$150	\$200	\$250
26-50 Individuals	\$250	\$350	\$450
51-75 Individuals	\$350	\$500	\$650



Study nature, love nature, stay close to nature.  
It will never fail you.

- Frank Lloyd Wright