

Name of School/Group: _____ Date of Visit: _____



Chaperone Agreement

Thank you for being a chaperone for the field trip to OdySea Aquarium!
You have a very important job in ensuring a fun, safe, memorable, and engaging learning experience for the students. We have outlined some very important expectations below.

Please initial that you understand these expectations and details about your field trip.

- _____ I understand that I will be assigned a group of students that I will be responsible for during the field trip. I must stay with and be attentive to my assigned students at all times.
- _____ I understand that students are expected to make good choices, be respectful, walk, and use a quiet voice.
- _____ I understand that I am responsible for reinforcing that students must be respectful to other students, the teacher, the chaperones, the aquarium staff, the other guests, the animals, and the property of the aquarium.
- _____ I understand that I should ask students to make at least 3 quality observations at each exhibit. They should notice the size, shape, color, patterns, structure, form/function, adaptations, mouth shape, feeding patterns, unique features, geographical location, and endangered species status of the animals.
- _____ I understand that students may touch the animals in the Tidal Touch Pool and Sea TREK areas. Students must be gentle and use two fingers to touch these animals. Students are not allowed to pick up or poke the animals. Students must be careful not to touch the animals' eyes. Students must wash their hands before and after touching the animals.
- _____ I understand that photos and videos are allowed, but that the flash and video light must be turned off.
- _____ I understand that the escalators, elevators, railings, ledges, and benches are not playground equipment. I will ensure that students do not swing from or do flips on the railings. I will make sure that students do not stand on, run across, or jump from ledges or benches.
- _____ I understand that my group and I are responsible for being at the assigned meeting locations at the correct time.
- _____ I understand that no outside food is allowed in the aquarium and that the aquarium does not have a space to store lunchboxes.
- _____ I understand that there is no re-entry to the aquarium. I may not leave and re-enter during the field trip.
- _____ I understand that OdySea Aquarium does not have dolphins. The dolphins are at Dolphinaris which is a different company with a separate entry fee.
- _____ I understand that because of fire marshal maximum occupancy regulations and aquarium layout, groups may not use the shark bathrooms in the lobby. Bathrooms are available by the Café and 3D Theater. Sharks are viewable inside the Living Sea Carousel and from the observation windows outside the Carousel.
- _____ If visiting the gift shop, I understand that I am responsible for the students in my group. Students must be with their chaperones at all times. Student must pay for anything that they take or any items that they break.
- _____ If we use the outside courtyard area, I understand it is not a playground. For the safety and well-being of the students and other guests, I will ensure that students do not run on the stage area, jump over the water features, or throw anything. I will make sure that my group cleans up any mess they make.
- _____ I understand that the students and I are representatives for our school/group. Our behavior can positively or negatively impact future field trips for our school/group.

Printed Name: _____ Cell phone #: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____