



City of Foley's Graham Creek Nature Preserve & Interpretive Center

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This form must be filled out and returned in order to schedule a 10th-12th grade field trip

School Name: _____

Teacher(s): _____

Contact information:

Email _____

Phone

(Cell) _____ (Office) _____

Dates preferred (Tuesdays-Thursdays):

Estimated Time Frame (circle one) Half (830am-1230pm) / (1130am-230pm) Full
(830am-230pm)

Grade Level & Age group:

Number of students & teachers/chaperones attending *try to be exact-we have limited space/
supplies. **Max is 60 per trip dependent upon activities/lessons requested:**

Please select a subject/lesson plan you would like for your class. Lessons are primarily element themes & based on locally relevant environmental education; includes free time within Preserve with time for lunch. Half the trip will be lecture style followed up with a field studies portion within Preserve grounds.

oEarth (soils, terrestrial flora & fauna of upland & wetland habitats)

oFire (prescribed burning, forestry, mapping, turpentine history)

oWater (aquatic fauna, water sampling, watersheds & cycle, stream assessment)

oSpirit (coastal culture & heritage, historical uses of plants, ecological relationships)

oEnvironmental Stewardship (outdoor recreation, envt & economical health relationship, ecotourism)

Tell us what you've covered in the classroom relating to the subject/lesson plan you chose for your class; list any special environmental science topics you'd like us to focus on to supplement your classroom curriculum: _____

Are there any students or chaperones with special needs/medical concerns that the staff needs to be aware of (Ex: decreased mobility, severe allergies, etc.): _____

Field Trips are offered throughout the year for K-12th grade Tuesday through Thursday. We do not charge students for field trips, but if your school or organization would like to make a donation, please make checks out to the non-profit group *Friends of the Preserve for GCNP Env't Edu.* We can get the check to them or it can be mailed to:

ATTN GCNP Environmental Education Donation

Friends of the Preserve

8098 Bay View Drive

Foley, Alabama 36535

Planning Ahead: **Please make sure that you have the appropriate clothing/close-toed shoes for outdoor activities.** Most, if not all, field trip activities will be conducted outside unless requested otherwise. Bring **sunscreen, bug spray, allergy medication, and extra water** in case you need it. We do have air conditioned restroom facilities, outdoor shower heads, and water fountains available. A picnic pavilion is available for lunch use by field trips if you prefer to eat here in addition to a playground if your group would like to stay past the end of the scheduled lessons/activities.

Class behavior is the responsibility of the teachers/chaperones. Supervision of the class by teachers and/or chaperones is required at all times and teacher/chaperone participation in lessons/activities is expected.

Our calendar fills up fast so it is **recommended that you request/schedule a field trip at least 2 months minimum in advance** of your requested date(s). We are not always able to reschedule field trips that are cancelled due to inclement weather.