

## Guidelines for Scheduling Your Visit to The Green Zone

Days and Hours	Fridays between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m.
Time Allotment	Minimum: 2 hours / Maximum 4 hours
Group Sizes	50 students or 2 classes
Chaperone Ratio	1 adult to 6 students
Scheduling	Make your reservation at least two weeks in advance.
Cancellation.	Please let us know as soon as possible
Registration	By Fax 625-6537 By e mail AMurhpy@spokanecity.org By mail: Tours/Workshop Spokane Regional Solid Waste System 221 N. Wall Spokane WA 99201

Teacher name: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade level \_\_\_\_\_

Date and time requested: \_\_\_\_\_

Programs requested: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact info:

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

E mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

**Confirmation** You will receive a letter confirming the date and time of your visit, and the programs you requested. If the time and/or program you requested is not available; we will contact you to arrange another time.

**Lunch** Your group may feel free to picnic on the grounds. Be sure to let us know that is your plan.

## Helpful Hints for Chaperones

The role of a chaperone is hard work, but tremendously rewarding. Chaperones should jump in! Get involved.

- We invite chaperones to participate in activities. Try not to get ahead of the students or do the activity for them. Let the students discover, explore and learn at their own pace. Ask questions that will stimulate the students to think about what will, is or has happened.
- Be sure to ask questions of each student in your group. Wait for answers. There will always be a few who have all the answers. Encourage the shy or quiet students to share ideas, too. When an answer is given, ask the group if they agree or disagree and to explain why.
- You determine the behavior of your group. Find out from the teacher whether or not you and your group are expected to stay with other groups. If your group sets it's own pace, then stay with your students and facilitate their learning.
- Be sure you know details of your schedule: when and where to meet your group at the end of the visit or for lunch.

## **Plan a Program**

You can design a visit to meet the needs of your class. Select from the menu to fit your total time frame. Your time at The Green Zone will need to begin with a 10 minute Welcome/Orientation and end with a 10 minute Closure.

Program Choices – 30 min each class.

### Outdoor

1. Wetlands – Explore the wetlands that are the on-site management of stormwater run-off
2. Compost Science – build and/or turn a compost bin. Learn what makes a good compost pile and why it is important to use compost.
3. Treasure Hunt – explore the grounds of The Green Zone to learn about its sustainable features.

### Indoor

1. Worms at Work – Examine the critters at work in the worm bin. Feed appropriate food scraps to the worms
2. Living with Our Aquifer – Hands-on work with Aquifer and Enviroscope models
3. Exhibits – Your group will use an exhibit guide to interact with the exhibits.
4. Video with Activity – select an environmental video with a related activity
5. Resource Center - game

### Community Service

“Care of The Green Zone” – If your class is looking for an opportunity for Community Service, we have an ever-changing list of things that can be done.

### Lunch Activity

Available if you want to be on site during lunchtime. Students bring own lunch.

Schedule 1 – ½ day

Choose 4 from the Menu below

15 Min	Welcome/Orientation	Large group
45 min	Round #1 – 6 classes	Small groups (max 6)
45 min	Round #2	Small groups
15 min	Close	Large group
Optional stay for Lunch		

Schedule 2 – full day

Choose 6 from the menu below

15 min	Welcome/Orientation	Large Group
45 min	Round #1	
45 min	Round #2	
30 min	Lunch Break	
45 min	Round #3	
45 min	Round #4	
15 min	Close	

- could add in a 30 min project time (maintenance type stuff)