



The Edible Gardens and Green City Market Important Field Trip Information

Information about scheduling:

- Joint field trips to The Edible Gardens and Green City Market are only available on Wednesdays and Saturdays, May through October.
- Thursday tours of the Edible Gardens are available May through September (note: Thursday trips will not include a visit to the Green City Market).
- The Edible Garden hours are: May – October: Wednesday, Thursday, and Saturday, 9:30am-12:30pm;
- Joint field trips last roughly 1 hour, depending on group size (20-30 minutes in the Gardens, 10 minutes to transfer between locations, 10-15 minute Green City Market Tour).

Capacity:

- The maximum number of students we can schedule in the garden is 60 students. We often have more than one school scheduled on a single day, but we will accommodate you to the best of our ability.

To reserve a field trip:

- Email: taylor@greencitymarket.org

Location

- The entrance to the Edible Gardens is located through the entrance of the Lincoln Park Farm-in-the-Zoo: <http://www.lpzoo.org/events/edible-garden>
- Green City Market is located at the South end of Lincoln Park between Clark and Stockton Drive (approximately 1790 N. Clark). The Market is a less-than-5-minute walk across the street from the Farm-in-the-Zoo.
- *Groups should check in at the info tent on the eastern side of the Green City Market along Stockton Drive (across the street and just south of the Farm-in-the-Zoo entrance) 5-10 minutes prior to your scheduled start time.



BUS AND PARKING INFORMATION

- Busses should drop students off at the Farm-in-the-Zoo entrance on Stockton drive. Bus drivers will then need to find a place to stage for the duration of the tour.
- Street parking for cars can be found along Stockton Drive.

DRESS APPROPRIATELY

- Please remind your students to dress accordingly for an outdoor field trip. Make sure children wear the appropriate footwear and clothing suitable for walking outdoors, rain or shine.

WEATHER AND CANCELLATION POLICY

- Field trips to The Edible Gardens and Green City Market are weather permitting. Trips will take place during light rain, but heavy rain and/or thunderstorms may result in cancellation. We will contact you as early as possible if your trip is cancelled. Please email taylor@greencitymarket.org if you are unsure of the status of your field trip or if you wish to cancel for weather conditions.

LUNCH

- Lunch is not included in the field trip and arrangements will be left up to your discretion. You are welcome to utilize the Farm-in-the-Zoo picnic benches or grassy areas in the vicinity of the Market.
- Please make sure to leave NO TRASH BEHIND.



Please provide this document to all chaperones!

Important Information for Teachers and Chaperones:

Please provide the following information to ALL of your chaperones. This will ensure your trip runs smoothly and efficiently!

- All chaperones must accompany their group into The Edible Gardens during the tour and hands-on gardening activities in order to ensure a safe and fun trip for everyone
- Please arrive at the info tent on the eastern side of the Green City Market along Stockton Drive (across the street and just south of the Farm-in-the-Zoo entrance) 5-10 minutes prior to your scheduled start time. A Green City Market staff member or volunteer will direct your group where to go.
- **IMPORTANT:** If any of the children have food allergies, please notify us upon booking your field trip. Almost all products tasted at the Seasonal Tasting Table are produce. However, it is the sole responsibility of the chaperones and teachers to ensure the safety of each child on the trip.

At the Market:

- A GCM Staff member or Volunteer will lead each group on a brief guided tour through Green City Market and participants will visit the Club Sprouts Table to do a seasonal tasting of produce from the market and participate in a learning activity.
- Please remember that Green City Market is a public farmer's market with large crowds. Chaperones are asked to remind students to stay in a group together.
- We ask you to respect our vendors. They are selling products as part of their business. Students should be encouraged to ask before touching any products or sampling any food on display.
- Sampling: Often vendors will display samples for the public and we request that you ask the vendor if it is okay to pass their sample out to your children. In most cases, the vendor will say yes, but please be courteous and ask first.

