

Field Trip Program: Terrific Trees

At The North Carolina Arboretum

Join us on a stroll through our forested trails as we discover the needs of trees and how to recognize a few common species. We'll discuss how plants survive in their environments, discuss what people can do to conserve our forests, and learn all about tree seeds. We'll even measure trees and seek out the largest tree we can find.

Principles:

- Trees are important for humans as well as our environment.
- Trees need soil, air, water, light and space in order to live.
- People can recycle and improve habitats to protect the environment and trees.
- Trees can be identified by observing leaves, seeds, bark and buds.
- Different tree species have particular ways of fulfilling their needs.

Duration: 1.5 hours

Cost: \$6.00 per student/parent chaperone. Teachers with the school are free. Payment should be given to the instructor at the start of the program. A second program can be booked at a cost of an additional \$3.00 per student.

Months Offered: September-November, March-May.

NC Science Essential Standards:

First Grade: 1.L.1.1, 1.L.1.2, 1.L.1.3, 1.L.2.1

Starting Location: In front of the **Education Center** at the program start time (either 9:30 am or 12:00 pm) set upon booking the program. Groups arriving early may enjoy the property and facilities. Only school groups that have pre-registered for an exhibit visit may enter the exhibits at the Baker Exhibit Center.

What do my students need?

Students should wear clothing that is appropriate for the weather. A majority of the program will take place outdoors, so students, teachers and adult chaperones should wear sturdy footwear. Students with physical disabilities or limitations are capable of participating in the walk, but the instructor should be told prior to day of the program to make any special arrangements.

Want to schedule this program? Contact Michelle Pearce, Youth Education Coordinator, at mpearce@ncarboretum.org or (828) 665-2492 ext. 624

