



GARFIELD PARK  
CONSERVATORY  
ALLIANCE

# School & Group Visits to the Conservatory



## GUIDELINES & RULES TO SHARE WITH YOUR GROUP

### HOW TO VISIT THE CONSERVATORY

- ➔ Please remember that all groups of 10 or more people must pre-register before coming to the Conservatory. If your group arrives at the Conservatory without pre-registering and we are at capacity for the day, you may be asked to wait or even reschedule.
- ➔ The Conservatory and outdoor gardens contain a collection of important and valuable plants. For that reason, we do not allow any balls, frisbees, kites or other flying objects anywhere on the Conservatory grounds. If your group would like to engage in these activities, feel free to utilize space across the street in Garfield Park.
- ➔ The only public restrooms are located in the front lobby. Please keep this in mind as you explore the Conservatory.
- ➔ Inside the building, please stay on the pathways and out of plant beds. Walk at all times. Our pathways are narrow and can be slippery! Outdoors, stay on pathways or grassy areas and out of plant beds and ponds.
- ➔ The unique plants and landscapes are here for all to enjoy. Please leave the flowers, fruits and leaves on the plants, and do not move or throw any rocks.
- ➔ The Conservatory is a working greenhouse, so you will likely see workers and equipment during your visit. Please do not touch hoses, faucets, shovels or any other tools or machinery you might encounter along the way.
- ➔ If you have questions about the plants and see a staff member working in the room, feel free to ask them. They know a lot about the collection and should be able to talk with you about their work.
- ➔ For your protection, do not touch any plants in the Desert House. Many of them have spines or other defenses that can hurt or make you itch.
- ➔ Children and teens must be accompanied by an adult at all times. We require a minimum of 1 adult per 10 students. Leaders and chaperones - please keep your students within sight at all times.
- ➔ Groups should not congregate in the lobby of the Conservatory, except under the direction of our staff when waiting for an Orientation. Please use another location outside or inside the Conservatory as a gathering or meet-up place for your group.
- ➔ Groups can enjoy their lunches anywhere outside on the lawns or inside in Horticulture Hall. Everyone is responsible for their own trash. Please help keep the Conservatory clean!

**Thank you for your cooperation and enjoy your visit!**