

Pre-K Programs NEWSLETTER

Let us bring hands-on learning to your students or organization. Book a program where we come to you, or visit the Lutz Children's Museum for an unforgettable experience! For over 50 years, we've been bringing engaging educational programs to schools and organizations across Connecticut. Through hands-on activities, artifacts, and live animal ambassadors, we inspire curiosity and make learning come alive. Our programs enhance classroom learning, encourage discovery, and create memorable experiences for students in preschool.



SEASONS AND STORIES

Join us for a story-filled journey through the changing seasons. In this four-part series, children will explore fall, winter, spring, and summer through stories, hands-on activities, creative play, and visits with our animal ambassadors. Along the way, we will discover how animals grow, change, and adapt as the world around them changes too.

Ask about our discount for booking all 4 classes in the series.

- **Autumn:** "The Leaf Thief" will help us spot the signs and colors of fall.
- **Winter:** "Bear Snores On" teaches about hibernation.
- **Spring:** "How a Seed Grows" demonstrates how plants and animals wake up to new life.
- **Summer:** "Waiting for Wings" details how insects transform through metamorphosis.

BUGS LIFE

Calling all junior entomologists! Get ready to explore the amazing world of insects and bugs as we discover what makes them different. Meet real insect and bug ambassadors, investigate hands-on discovery stations, and use your imagination to design and create an insect of your own. It is the perfect adventure for curious preschoolers who love to explore the tiny creatures all around us.

SHAPES IN NATURE

Circles, spirals, triangles, and more—shapes are everywhere in nature! Preschoolers will become nature detectives as they search for shapes in leaves, flowers, animals, shells, and other natural treasures. Through hands-on exploration, sorting, art, and animal encounters, children will practice shape recognition, observation, and early math skills while discovering the amazing patterns all around us!

Excellent as a 4-part series or may be booked individually.

GOING ON A BEAR HUNT

Stomp, splash, swish, and squelch your way through this interactive preschool adventure. As we read "We're Going on a Bear Hunt", children will build early literacy, listening, sequencing, and gross motor skills through movement and imaginative play. Young explorers will search for animal clues, create their own bear hunt map, and meet live animal ambassadors while discovering the wonders of nature through hands-on learning.

DINO DISCOVERIES

Stomp, roar, and explore the world of dinosaurs! Little paleontologists will dig for dinosaur discoveries, explore fossils, and learn about the amazing dinosaurs that once roamed the Earth. Through hands-on play, movement, and creative activities, children will have a dino-mite time learning through discovery. They will meet some of our animal ambassadors that are relatives of dinosaurs too.

We put learning in the hands of children!

Key to Program Pricing

Program Options	Pricing
30- Minute Outreach Program (minimum booking of 2 programs a day)	\$165
45-Minute Outreach Program	\$215
Self-Guided Field Trip	\$15/person
Field Trip with 45-Minute Class	\$18/person (minimum 13 children)
Cancellation of Scheduled Class Fee	\$30
Last Minute Booking (Within 1 Week of Program Delivery Date) Fee	\$30
Mileage for Those Towns Nonadjacent to Manchester	\$0.68 / mile

FAQ

How many students can participate in a program?

Our programs are designed for individual classes of approximately 25 students. Keeping groups at a classroom size allows our educators to provide a more engaging, hands-on experience. We do not combine classes or offer assembly-style programs.

Can you bring programs directly to our classrooms?

Yes! Most of our programs can travel from classroom to classroom, making it easy to schedule multiple programs during your school day. Tales from the Trails does require a larger space due to the activities involved.

How early should we book a program or field trip?

We recommend booking a few months in advance, especially if you have a specific date in mind. This gives our education team plenty of time to prepare materials and coordinate staffing. Last-minute bookings may be available, but reservations made within one week are subject to an additional fee.

What does a preschool field trip to the Lutz Children's Museum look like?

A field trip to the Lutz is designed especially for little learners. Preschoolers can participate in a hands-on educational program, meet some of our animal ambassadors, and have time to explore and play in the museum. Our field trips encourage curiosity, imagination, and learning through play while giving children an exciting experience outside the classroom.

What does our school need to provide?

Our educators bring the materials needed for the program. When you book, we'll let you know about any specific classroom or space requirements so your teachers know exactly what to expect.

Still have questions? We're happy to help you find the right program for your students! Contact our Educational Curator at 860-634-0949 ext. 5 or bciezaboza@lutzmuseum.org.

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