

**Frequently Asked Questions**  
**"See Plants WIN" 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Outreach Program**

**PROGRAM PAYMENT**

**1. How do schools pay for the program?**

- Program payment is submitted to the Frying Pan Farm Park Visitor Center in person, over the phone, by cash, check, Visa or MasterCard.
- Checks must be made payable to Fairfax County Park Authority. Payments must be paid in full 2 weeks prior to the program.

**2. How much does the program cost?**

**Outreach program fees run at a flat rate of one fee for each session of the program. This fee does not vary with the number of students in the class.**

- Fairfax County: \$150 for the first program; includes travel fee within Fairfax County. Each additional program is \$125.
- Outside of Fairfax County: \$200 for the first program; includes travel fee within Fairfax County. Each additional program is \$175.

**PROGRAM RESERVATION AND CANCELLATION**

**3. How many students may attend?**

- Programs are designed for one class of approximately 30 students at a time. (A maximum 4 classes or a total of 4 separate programs can be scheduled at a time by one school).
- Customized classes may be arranged; contact interpretative staff to do so. If more than 4 programs are requested, contact Sherry Bizette to make sure that enough staff are available for the program.
- Each program is a flat rate (see pricing above), regardless of how many students are in a class.

**4. How do I reserve a program?**

- Contact the Visitor Center at (703) 437-9101 and set a date and time on the schedule. A confirmation letter will be sent to you.
- **Programs are offered Tuesday – Friday from 10:00am – 2:00pm.**
- **This program is offered January 28, 2013 to March 17, 2013.**

**5. How do I cancel or reschedule a program?**

- If you have to cancel a program please contact the Visitor Center at (703) 437-9101 as soon as possible to let them know.
- As our schedule fills up fast, we cannot guarantee a date available for rescheduling a program, but we will do our best.

## **PROGRAM DESCRIPTION**

### **6. How long is the program?**

- The program is 1 hour long.

### **7. What type of space is required for the program? Is it outside?**

- The entire program is conducted in the classroom. Students will participate in a discussion about plants and work in groups while sitting at their desks.

### **8. What type of setup is required for my classroom?**

- This program requires the use of a computer (laptop) connected to a projector and a pull-down screen for the slide show presentation.
- This program also requires a dry-erase board or chalk board on which to write.
- At the end of the program, students will work in groups of 4 or 5. These students will need a common work space. This can be accomplished by pushing desks together or by having large tables big enough to work on that 4-5 people can fit around.

### **9. What material is covered in this program?**

- See Plants WIN covers 4<sup>th</sup> grade Science Standards of Learning 4.4, 4.5:
- Students will learn about the essential structures and adaptations that allow plants to carry out their essential life functions:
  - Acquire water
  - Acquire food (photosynthesis)
  - Protection from weather
  - Protection from predators
  - Attracting pollinators
  - Dispersing their seeds
- Students will learn about local and exotic examples of different plant species and adaptations.
- Students will work in groups to design and construct a model of a plant that is capable of being successful at the above essential life functions.
- Students will present their created plant and its adaptations to the class.
- The class will discuss the impacts of human actions on the survival of plants and different species of plants.

## **PROGRAM ACCESSIBILITY**

### **10. Is the program accessible to all students?**

- The program consists of 20 minutes of class discussion with a slideshow, 20 minutes of working with other students as a team to construct a model, and 20 minutes of listening to presentations by fellow students, with participation in their group's own 3-5 minute presentation to the class. Please inform us of any special needs for your students and we will modify the program accordingly.