



C E L E B R A T I N G

100
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MISSOURI
STATE PARKS

TIPS FOR TEACHERS

Make your trip to Earth Day more enjoyable, safe and environmentally friendly.

Bus Parking and Map

- There will be no bus parking available at or near the event.
- Please provide your driver with the sheet of bus unloading and parking directions and map included in this packet. Your driver should plan to drop off your class along Broadway Street.
- We recommend that buses park at the prison lot east of the Capitol, on the corner of Capital Avenue and Chestnut Street.

Restrooms

- Restrooms are located inside the Capitol, just inside the entrance. Museum staff can direct you if you miss them.

Weather

- Weather can be unpredictable at this time of year. Our Earth Day event is planned "rain or shine." Many of the activities and games are under tents on the lawn.
- Please watch weather forecasts and plan for appropriate clothing.
- In the event of severe weather, event coordinators will direct you to shelter, generally inside the Capitol.

Cooler Corral

- Since your bus cannot stay on or near the grounds, we have set up a secure place for you to check and hold your coolers and food. If you are bringing lunches for your class, please plan to use our Cooler Corral.
- Earth Day volunteer staff will direct you to the Cooler Corral as you unload buses.
- Staff at the Cooler Corral will tag your items and give a matching tag to the teacher or responsible adult. Use your tag to reclaim your coolers or food later in the day.
- To prevent any tampering, items cannot be dropped off without completing a tag, and they cannot be picked up without presenting a tag.
- We cannot check or hold other articles or valuables. Please leave articles you don't need for the day on the bus.

The Capitol

- Scheduled group tours of the Capitol must be arranged separately in advance of Earth Day by calling the Missouri State Museum at 573-751-2854.

Helping the Environment at Earth Day 2016

- We will have recycling containers on our grounds for aluminum cans and plastic bottles. If you bring drinks in these kinds of containers, please plan to separate them from other trash and use the recycling bins and trash receptacles accordingly. An Earth Day volunteer will be stationed in the designated eating area to help and encourage the kids to recycle their lunch waste.
- As a class project before your trip, you may wish to discuss ways to cut down on the use of disposable materials and wrappers in lunches by using reusable containers or packaging that can be recycled. See the flyer for the Zero Waste Challenge.