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Masks are required for all visitors over the age of 10.
Field Trips | p. 4-5
Exhibit Halls | $4.00
Burke Baker Planetarium | $3.50
Cockrell Butterfly Center | $4.50
*Wortham Giant Screen Theatre | $5.00
Special Exhibitions | Call for Pricing

Tours | p. 15
*Docent Tour | $10.00 up to 10 people

Early Investigations Program | p. 15
*Exhibit Hall Program | $9.50
*Cockrell Butterfly Center Program | $10.00

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*Mini-Crew Mission | $160 | 12–25 students | 1 hour
*Junior-Crew Mission | $185 | 12–25 students | 1.5 hours
*Full-Crew Mission | $280 | 20–45 students | 2 hours

Science Labs | p. 16
Weekday Labs | $200 per lab | 1 hour
Weekday Science Dissection Labs | $250 per lab | 1 hour
Labs on Demand | $250 | 1 hour
Advanced Labs on Demand | $500–$550 | 2 hours
**Travel Fee $75 for off-site labs

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George Observatory | p. 13
*Astronomy Day Class | $165 | 1 hour
*Expedition Center Missions
  Mini-Crew Mission | $160 | 12–25 students | 1 hour
  Junior-Crew Mission | $185 | 12–25 students | 1.5 hours
  Full-Crew Mission | $280 | 20 –45 students | 2 hours
*Discovery Dome | $60 per show | Max 20 students per show
*Stargazing Super Session | $360 | Max of 30 students

Outreach Programs | p. 14
Bugs on Wheels
$425 Half day | $525 Full day | $625 Extended day
Discovery Dome
$425 Half day | $525 Full day | $625 Extended day
Docents to Go | $150
Chevron Earth Science on Wheels
$375 Half day | $475 Full day | $575 Extended day
ConocoPhillips Science on Stage
$375 First presentation
$150 per additional presentation
Wildlife on Wheels
$425 Half day | $525 Full day | $625 Extended day
Science Start
$375 First presentation pair
$150 per additional presentation pair
Science Nights | Call for Pricing
Museum Careers | $150

*Subject to availability.
Virtual programming options and pricing available online.
Field Trips
The Houston Museum of Natural Science works hard to help teachers bring learning to life. Booking a Field Trip is the first step in creating lifelong learners.

Virtual Field Trips
Beginning this fall, join HMNS in an adventure through our world-renowned Permanent Exhibit Halls. Virtually walk through one of our halls with an expert docent as your students experience their textbook come to life. Throughout the guided tour, students will complete a TEKS based activity guide.

Reservations
Field Trip reservations may be made by calling 713-639-4659, emailing fieldtrips@hmns.org, or by completing the online form at hmns.org/fieldtrips.

To receive the discounted Field Trip rate:
- Belong to an educational organization; grades Pre-K-12
- Visit us Monday–Saturday, 9 a.m.–5 p.m.
- Have a minimum of 10 students.
- Chaperones must be at least 21 years of age.
- Make reservations in advance.

For more detailed Field Trip policies, please visit us at hmns.org/fieldtrips.

Payments
Payment is due upon arrival to the Museum. Field Trip rates are already discounted; no additional coupons or membership discounts apply at any of the HMNS locations. To view specific pricing information, see our pricing on page 3 or visit hmns.org/fieldtrips.

Museum Etiquette
To ensure that all Museum visitors have an optimal experience and out of respect for our collections and the safety of others, we ask that all HMNS patrons adhere to the following guidelines:
- Keep your hands and feet to yourself.
- Keep a safe distance from objects, walls, cases, artifacts, and photographs. The oils, salts, and acids in our sweat can damage works of art and artifacts. (Touching of exhibits is only permitted in the Cabinet of Curiosities.)
- Be respectful of Museum Staff, other school groups, and visitors to the Museum – this includes but not limited to:
  - Being considerate when speaking to Museum Staff.
  - Using a quiet voice when walking through the halls.
  - Not using profanity or derogatory language.
- Cell phones must be silenced while in the halls and theatres.
- Food, drinks, and chewing gum are not allowed in the halls.
- Students are not permitted to run or jump in the halls.
- When visiting the Morian Overlook, please do not allow students to drop objects over the balcony into the Morian Hall of Paleontology.
- Please refrain from blocking exit and/or entryways throughout the Museum.
- While viewing exhibits, please allow space for other patrons to safely pass.

Teachers and chaperones are responsible for the behavior of their students/children during their visit to the Museum. We thank you in advance for ensuring that our Museum remains in good condition for all visitors to enjoy. If these guidelines are not followed, you may be asked to leave the Museum without a refund.
Field Trip Curriculum
Generously supported by Phillips 66

Our team of educators has produced Field Trip curriculum, for grades K-12. Based on each grade’s interdisciplinary TEKS objectives, this curriculum covers the Museum’s Permanent Exhibit Halls and special exhibitions. All curricula is available online for free at hmns.org/curriculum.

HMNS @ HOME
Presented by Mitsubishi Corporation

HMNS is now are offering a digital museum experience. During this unique school year, we know that bringing virtual educational content to you is more important than ever! From the comfort of your home or digital classroom, dive into our online collection with our educational video archives, virtual Field Trips and Outreach, printable activities, and more.

Visit the HMNS at Home webpage for more exciting educational opportunities heading your way!

Accessibility

Accessibility programs are generously supported by the Alexander Foundation and the Andrew Delaney Foundation.

The HMNS staff is dedicated to ensuring the enjoyment of all our visitors. If any students or adults in your group have a disability, please inform us when booking your Field Trip so that we can make any requested accommodations to the best of our ability in order to ensure that you have the best day possible!

We are excited to offer resources for those with sensory sensitivities and those affected by autism spectrum disorders. Before coming to the Museum, download and review our Sensory Guides, Access HMNS app, Exploration Planner, and other resources available at hmns.org/accessibility. As additional support for your students, HMNS also offers a Sensory Friendly Day for Schools held in December. The Cockrell Butterfly Center, Burke Baker Planetarium, and Wortham Giant Screen Theatre will be open with adjusted lighting and volume for all to enjoy.

Event dates for our Sensory Friendly Day are highlighted throughout the monthly calendar.

For more information or to find out which exhibits might work best for you and your group, please visit hmns.org/accessibility, call our Museum Services Desk at 713-639-4601, or email accessprogramming@hmns.org.
The Houston Museum of Natural Science’s Permanent Exhibit Halls offer a unique assortment of interdisciplinary adventures for students of all ages.

For more information about our newest Special Exhibitions, visit at hmns.org/special-exhibitions.
PERMANENT EXHIBITIONS

Farish Hall of Texas Wildlife

Cabinet of Curiosities

Frensley/Graham Hall of African Wildlife

Hall of Ancient Egypt

George W. Strake Hall of Malacology

John P. McGovern Hall of The Americas

Hamman Hall of Texas Coastal Ecology

Wiess Energy Hall

Generously underwritten by the George and Mary Josephine Hamman Foundation.
Films That Inspire Lifelong Learning

The Wortham Giant Screen Theatre features the latest in state-of-the-art motion picture projection. In stunning 4K digital with advanced 3D technology, students can immerse themselves in the depths of the ocean, the heat of volcanoes, or fly across the rainforest canopy, all projected onto a giant screen.

Watch our film trailers and find a full list of our featured films online at [hmns.org/giantscreen](http://hmns.org/giantscreen)!

Teacher’s Choice

Teacher’s Choice allows educators to change the film playing at the 10 a.m., 11 a.m., or 12 p.m. time slots. Reservations must be made at least five business days in advance and are on a first-come, first-served basis. Films are available in 3D or 2D. Most films have closed captioning and online education resources available.

View our website for more information about the Teacher Choice Program.
Visit the **Cockrell Butterfly Center**—where students experience the amazing world of arthropods in a tropical rainforest!

Your visit begins in the **Brown Hall of Entomology** for an in-depth look at arthropods. There you will marvel at astounding live insects, spectacular mounted specimens, larger-than-life models, and interactive games. Afterwards, enter a stunning three-story glass structure full of exotic plants and hundreds of living butterflies.

Docent guided tours of the Cockrell Butterfly Center are available from June through February. Please arrive on time as spots are limited and rescheduling is not guaranteed.

Enhance your experience by including an Early Investigations, Lab on Demand, or On-site Outreach Program.

*In-person programming subject availability*
Pick your destination and leave the Earth behind! Choose from a live interactive TEKS-based show or select a film to suit your grade and topic from our incredible collection of dynamic planetarium shows in the Friedkin Theatre underneath the Raddoff Dome.

**Planetarium Picks for Educators**

Now the whole Universe is yours on demand. With just 25 or more students, you can choose your show and your viewing time. Shows are available every half hour from 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on weekdays.

Seating is limited.

For a complete listing of films, including grade level suggestions, please visit [hmns.org/planetarium](http://hmns.org/planetarium).
The Expedition Center is a unique team problem-solving simulator. During missions, teams receive tasks and students must work together to reach their destination on the Moon, Mars, or the Ocean Floor. Meanwhile Mission Controllers monitor their progress and help when needed, especially in emergencies. It’s a dramatic, high energy, completely interactive group experience where the students are in charge. When they succeed in reaching their destination, it is met with pride and applause!

Houston provides career opportunities in medicine, technology, engineering, and space, as well as the biological and geological sciences. During each Expedition, students model these real world careers as they explore the Moon, Mars, or the Ocean Floor. Our Expeditions also emphasize the skills that make good students and valuable employees: responsibility, teamwork, decision-making, and communication. All Expeditions include free admission to the Museum’s Permanent Exhibit Halls—excluding special exhibitions.

**Expedition Center Programs**

**MISSION SPACE**
It is the year 2076; this mission must be successful, and only your students can make it happen. New Tranquility Base on the Moon is awaiting the arrival of your space ship from Earth for a crew exchange before journeying to Mars. Students must work together to complete a successful Expedition while performing experiments, maintaining the ship, and surviving the perils of space travel.

**MISSION DEEP DIVE**
Students in a submarine and on a surface ship chart the path of the iceberg that sank the legendary RMS Titanic. Their mission ends with an exploration of the wreck site for new clues about what sank the unsinkable ship. In the second deep-sea challenge, students in the ship and submarine head for a deep water coral reef in the Azores. There, a treasure laden galleon sank over 400 years ago and has never been found. The treasure still lies somewhere on the ocean floor.

These Expeditions are available for students of all ages. You can schedule an Expedition for your students Monday–Saturday, 9 a.m.–3 p.m.

- **Mini-Crew Expedition | 1 hour**  
  12–25 students; Grades 4–12

- **Junior-Crew Expedition | 1.5 hours**  
  12–25 students;  
  Kindergarten–Grade 3

- **Full-Crew Expedition | 2 hours**  
  24–44 students; Grades 4–12  
  *Some grades require a minimum amount of adults per student during mission.*

**Staff Development/Team Building**

For an exceptional staff development/team building activity, book an Expedition for your teaching staff.

Contact expedition@hmns.org.

**Discounts**

Science, math, and engineering classes or clubs in high school may qualify for a free Expedition, sponsored by the JSC Chapter of the NASA Alumni League.

Contact expedition@hmns.org.
Located in a historic building in Sugar Land, our satellite campus is the perfect venue for a Field Trip.

Field Trips

The museum is home to a full-size Science on a Sphere and an outdoor butterfly garden. The Permanent Exhibit Halls, featuring items from the HMNS collection, cover Earth, Technology, Space, and Physical Sciences, along with Paleontology. Seasonal special exhibitions are also scheduled throughout the year. Information about these programs and more may be found at hmns.org/sugarland.

Enhanced Experience

Customize your Field Trip by requesting an Enhanced Experience with a docent. Students can also search the native Texas plants in the butterfly garden for caterpillars or chrysalises, schedule a special hands-on experience in the Microscope Lab, explore secrets hidden under their feet in Earth Science, or participate in an exciting live Chemistry demonstration.

Science Labs

Labs Classes are unique additions to enhance your Field Trips at HMNS at Sugar Land. Students can learn topics from history to landforms and even take part in a lab dissection. Visit our webpages for additional information.

A two-week notice is required to schedule all Science Labs. hmns.org/sugarland
George Observatory

Located in beautiful Brazos Bend State Park, the George Observatory offers a wide array of activities such as the Expedition Center Program, Astronomy classes, and more! Be sure to keep track of what’s happening at hmns.org/george-observatory.

Expedition Center Programs at the George Observatory

In the Expedition Center Program, students become astronauts and mission controllers in our space simulation, flying missions to the Moon or to Mars. Students engage in an interactive learning environment where they are assigned a role that allows them to solve problems, work as a team, and experience real astronaut training.

For more information for the Expedition Center Programs, see page 23 in this guide.

Discovery Dome

Our inflatable dome theater is an exciting experience that offers stars, planets, dinosaurs, volcanoes, tornadoes, DNA, and much more! Each full-dome film or live presentation lasts 30 minutes, and you may choose several presentations in the same visit or combine a show with a tour, an astronomy class, or an Expedition Center mission.

Astronomy Classes

One-hour daytime astronomy classes include a tour of the George Observatory research telescope. Astronomy classes may be combined with an Expedition Center mission or a Discovery Dome show.

For additional information about our Astronomy Classes, please visit hmns.org/astronomy.

The George Experience

This is the perfect Field Trip Package for getting your students outdoors and interacting with the environment while gaining knowledge in the areas of astronomy and problem solving! Students can rotate between an Expedition Center mission, astronomy class, Discovery Dome show, or a scavenger hunt through Creekfield Trail.

Stargazing Super-Session

Make the sky your classroom! Learn how to work a telescope and find objects in the night sky. Look through our 36-inch research-grade telescope, one of the largest in the U.S. regularly open to the public.

Weeknight evenings from 7:30–9:30 p.m.

*George Observatory in-person programming subject to availability.
Bring the wonder of HMNS to you, with our exciting Outreach Programs! With both in-person and virtual options available, these programs will engage your students, covering a wide variety of topics from paleontology to astronomy. Whether you teach kindergarten or high school, we can adapt our programs to fit your students and their learning needs. Most programs include TEKS-aligned curriculum and all are tailored to grade-specific TEKS objectives. Email outreach@hmns.org to book today.

**Bugs on Wheels Presentation**
Fascinating, hands-on presentations will introduce students to the wonderful world of plants, insects, and other arthropods, with live specimens.

**Wildlife on Wheels Presentation**
Students can enjoy a live animal presentation while exploring the basics of animal life.

**Discovery Dome Presentation**
A portable dome theatre brings stars, planets, dinosaurs, volcanoes, and more to your school, offering over 40 full-dome immersive films and live presentations for grades PreK-12! Download a brochure with show descriptions and suggested grade levels at hmns.org/discoverydome.

**Earth Science on Wheels Presentation**
From crystals to claws, and teeth to Triceratops skin, your students will be amazed by the wonders of Earth Science.

**ConocoPhillips Science on Stage**
These large-group presentations explore physical science through exciting demonstrations, from discovering the effects of liquid nitrogen to seeing Newton’s Laws in action. Suitable for grades 2–12.

**Science Start Presentation**
Hands-on, real-world activities focusing on inquiry and experimentation introduce students to fundamental objectives in an easy-to-grasp way, tailored to grades K-2.

**Docents to Go Presentation**
A trained Museum docent will visit your school or organization with real Museum artifacts and specimens!

Choose from the following formats for your outreach program depending on your needs this year!

**IN-PERSON**
All topics are available for in-person programs though they are subject to presenter availability. Book early to secure your date!

**LIVE, VIRTUAL**
All topics are available for a live virtual presentation by one of our educators or master docents. During this 60-minute virtual presentation, our presenters will showcase museum specimens and/or live animals and answer questions from the students.

**PRE-RECORDED VIRTUAL**
Select topics are available as pre-recorded presentations. You’ll have 24-hours of access to the presentation to share with your students, so you can watch it anytime. Have questions? Book a live Q&A session with one of our educators or curators as an add-on to your pre-recorded presentation!
Docent Tours

To enhance your Field Trip, for an additional fee, school groups can get an exciting, interactive look at our Exhibit Halls by booking a docent tour! Enjoy a tour with specially trained docents who may allow students to access touch carts and provide further knowledge regarding the Museum’s collections. Tours are available for each of the Permanent Exhibit Halls and last approximately 45 minutes. Docent Tours require one guide per every 10 people.

Early Investigations (Grades K-3)

Perfect for younger students. During this 1½ hour long program, students will handle real artifacts and specimens, take a tour in one of our Exhibit Halls, and participate in science activities!

For detailed class descriptions and capacity, visit hmns.org/earlyinvestigations.
**Weekday Labs**

Our labs allow students to examine ancient objects, investigate technology, meet live animals, or conduct scientific experiments depending on the lab booking. Each lab lasts one hour and includes admission to the Museum’s Permanent Exhibit Halls for lab participants on the day of your lab. Labs can accommodate up to 25 students and are held monthly at HMNS and select Thursdays and Fridays at HMNS at Sugar Land.

Themes include Time, Wildlife, Southwestern Energy Earth Science, Biology, ConocoPhillips TechnoScience, and Dissection.

Lab pricing can be found on page 3, and monthly lab topics are listed throughout the monthly calendar.

**Virtual Labs**

Virtual labs provide an hour of educational engagement and hands-on activities for students at home or in the classroom. Choose between pre-recorded or live virtual presentations, depending on your program’s and audience’s needs, we’ve got the options you need for any topic or audience.

HMNS is excited to offer virtual individual registration labs this school-year! Virtual labs will provide around an hour of instruction with an HMNS Educator that will be on an online call with the class to teach students about a specific topic, interact with students, lead them in activities, and answer questions. We are offering a limited selection of dates for our monthly labs, including Dissection, Earth Science, TechnoScience, Time, and Wildlife topics.

*Virtual Dissection Labs will be dissection demonstrations with the opportunity to engage with the instructor and ask questions.*

Virtual Labs pricing can be found on page 3.

**Labs on Demand**

With over 200 labs to choose from, Labs on Demand allow you to delve deeper into challenging topics while matching your scope and sequence. Both our standard one-hour labs and our advanced two-hour labs can accommodate up to 25 students per session. Lab fees include admission to the Museum’s Permanent Exhibit Halls for lab participants on the day of your lab. A docent tour can be paired with your lab at an additional cost.

Topics include, but are not limited to, Chemistry, Force and Motion, Ancient Egypt, Cells, Paleontology, Organ and whole organism dissections. For more information, visit our website at [hmns.org/lab](http://hmns.org/lab).

Labs on Demand pricing can be found on page 3.
Office Hours

Have a burning question? Need help with a particular subject area? Just want to talk shop with a curator? HMNS is now offering Office Hours with our educators, docents, and curators. Available upon request. To schedule Office Hours, email educationquestions@hmns.org and submit a request. The Museum’s Education staff will contact you within 3 business days to confirm your request.

Scouts @ HMNS

The Museum offers classes and activities at our Hermann Park and Sugar Land locations as well as online that will assist Scouts BSA, Cub Scouts, and Girl Scouts of all ages in earning an array of Badges, Adventures, and patches. Classes are offered virtually and in-person throughout the school year. One-day classes the week of Spring Break and week-long programs are offered over the summer. Ask about Badges on Demand at scouts@hmns.org.

For the latest scout schedule, visit us at hmns.org/scouts.

Virtual STEM Nova Weekend

September 19–20, 2020

Scouts @ HMNS is proud to host our sixth annual STEM Nova Day for Wolves, Bears, Webelos, Scouts BSA, and their families! Bring the excitement of scouts programming at HMNS right into your own home with guest speakers, interactive classes and even a virtual Burke Baker Planetarium show. Sunday afternoon classes will be available to complete the required Adventures for both Nova Awards. Scouts and families should registered two-weeks in advance to reserve your spot. Space is limited.

Virtual GEMS 2021

Join us virtually for our annual Girls Exploring Math and Science event, where students and families can learn about science, technology, engineering, and math. Students can also explore careers in fields related to these engaging STEM topics.

Local professionals will be on hand virtually to answer questions about their careers in STEM fields, providing a great opportunity for families to get involved and encourage students to excel in math and science to reach their career goals.

For more information on GEMS 2021, please visit our website at hmns.org/gems.

Student Overnights at HMNS

After a fun-filled evening of hands-on activities, students settle down to spend a night at the Museum in the Exhibit Halls. Customize your Overnight by upgrading to include a science lab or on-site Outreach Program to create your own unforgettable Overnight adventure!

Student Late Nights at HMNS

Enjoy a Late Night at HMNS with your students! Complete an Exhibit Hall scavenger hunt, explore hands-on activities, and see a Burke Baker Planetarium show. For more information about student Overnights or Late Nights, visit our website at hmns.org/overnights.

Virtual Family Night

Bring the adventure of a museum overnight to your home with this fun, interactive family movie night. Paired with a viewing of Night at the Museum, this bundle is perfect for a night in, a game night, slumber parties and birthdays. HMNS is just a click away!

The Family Movie Night bundle does not include a copy of Night at the Museum, but it can be rented on multiple video platforms.

Summer Camps @ HMNS

Summer Camps offer experiences for kid’s age’s 6–12 in-person and virtually at home! These camps will provide educational engagement for your child—from dinosaurs to robotics and space to science magic, every young thinker will be challenged!

For a full list of camp offerings, visit our website at hmns.org/summercamp during the spring of 2021.

HMNS Adventure Boxes

Add a science adventure to your schedule! We’ll mail you everything you need to upgrade any day of the week, from a state park hike to a rainy Saturday. Your adventure box will be mailed within 10 days of purchase and you can experience it on your own schedule.

*Additional fees may apply for some programs.
Shell Educators’ Preview  
*Free for Educators*

Join us twice a year as we showcase our newest exhibition and earn 1 hour of CPE credit during a VIP evening just for educators!

**Gifted and Talented Staff Development**  
*Differentiation with the Museum*

Differentiation with the Museum Participants will participate in hands-on, interactive activities available for immediate implementation. At the end of the session, educators will earn 6 hours of credit toward the completion of the state-mandated 30 hours of G/T teacher training OR a 6-hour update credit for those who have completed their 30 hours.

Virtual options coming soon!

**Excellence in Science Teaching Awards and Student Scholarships**

Each year teachers and students in the Houston area are recognized for their exemplary work in the fields of math and science. Annual awards of $2,000 are given to two teachers and two students.

**ExxonMobil Virtual Professional Development**  
*Coming Fall 2020*

Look for these new virtual workshops opportunities for Educators in our monthly e-blast.

- Teaching Virtually: Workshop for Educators
- Subject-based Virtual Training
- Virtual Science Literacy Night for Schools  
*November 5th, 2020*

Unable to host your annual Science Night at school? HMNS has got you covered!

During this unique evening event, your students will have virtual access to a Museum Outreach program, a planetarium show, a hall tour and a live talk with a curator where students can submit questions. Students will be provided a TEKS activity guide so they can follow along.

**Virtual Lectures**

This fall, enjoy our lecture series from the comfort of your own home. From new research on dinosaurs to citizen science and butterflies, there is something for everyone!

**Happy Hour with HMNS**

Stay in while going out with Virtual Happy Hour with HMNS! These monthly online events pair a dynamic science topic with a local business for a fun opportunity to create some conversations!

**Educator Membership**

Enjoy all the perks of an HMNS membership along with educator-specific benefits and discounts, including access to virtual content for both you and your students! Your membership supports all of the museum’s educational programming.

- Adopt-A-Class  
  - An HMNS docent will “adopt” your class, with a weekly, 15-minute virtual check in.
- Pajama Party—Families & Adults Only!  
  - Join HMNS on Wednesdays for a fun science-themed evening! Starting with a reading of a bedtime story with a science twist and then continue for an adult spin to our themed night.
- Virtual Lectures  
  - Receive free access to one fall virtual lecture of your choice.
- Additional benefits featured online and more coming soon!

For more information about any of these programs, email educationquestions@hmns.org.
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**NOTES**

- **SEPTEMBER 2020**

**SEPTEMBER MONTHLY LABS**
- Wildlife Lab
- On the Hunt
- ConocoPhillips Techno Science Lab
- Magnets
- Dissection Lab
- Not for the Squeamish

**General Notes**
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- Full Moon
- Leif Erikson Day
- Physicist, Niels Bohr’s Birthday
- Columbus Day
- HMNS @ Sugar Land opened in 2009
- The George Observatory opened in 1989

**OCTOBER 2020**

**MONTHLY LABS**
- Time Lab
- The Renaissance
- Southwestern Energy Earth Science Lab
- Season’s Greetings
- Dissection Lab
- Leaping Lizards

**OCTOBER 2020**

- Full Moon
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### Monthly Labs
- **November Lab:** Medicine from the Renaissance
- **Time Lab:** Wildlife Lab & Pollination & Predation
- **Echo Science Lab:** ConocoPhillips Tech Science Lab & Light

- **Full Moon:** 30

**Notes:**
- **21 November:** Daylight Savings ends
- **All Saints Day:**
- **28 November:** Veterans Day
- **8 November:** All Saints Day
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**Monthly Labs**

- **December:**
  - Time Lab: Age of Exploration
  - Wildlife Lab: Multifaceted Mammals
  - ConocoPhillips Echo Science Lab: Polymers

**Weekend Notes:**

- **Sunday:**
  - Sensory Friend Day
  - Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day

- **Monday:**
  - Winter begins

- **Tuesday:**
  - New Year’s Eve

- **Wednesday:**
  - Winter begins

- **Thursday:**
  - New Year’s Eve

- **Friday:**
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- The Salem Witch Trials
- ConocoPhillips TurboScience Lab
- Shape Science
- Dissection Lab
- 14-Legged Fun
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**APRIL 2021 MONTHLY LABS**
- Wildlife Lab
- Bear with Me
- Southwestern Energy Earth Science Lab
- Soil Layers & the Dust Bowl
- ConocoPhillips Tech Science Lab
- Falling Fast

**SPECIAL EVENTS**
- April Fool’s Day
- Good Friday
- Easter
- Holocaust Remembrance Day (US)
- First of Ramadan

**Other Events**
- First of Ramadan
- Earth Day
- Earth Day

**Dr. David’s Notes**
- Sensory-Friendly Event

**Full Moon**
- Full Moon

**Wildlife Lab**
- Bear with Me
- Southwestern Energy Earth Science Lab
- Soil Layers & the Dust Bowl
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**Eastern Orthodox Easter**

**Teacher Appreciation Week Begins**

**Mother’s Day**

**Armed Forces Day**

**Eid al-Fitr begins at sundown**

**Full Moon**

**Memorial Day**

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**NOTES**

- **Wildlife Lab Survey Says**
- **Southwestern Energy Mass Extinction**
- **ConocoPhillips Techno Science Lab Pressure**

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**MAY MONTHLY LABS**

- Wildlife Lab
- Earth Science Lab
- Techno Science Lab

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- **Flag Day**
- **Summer begins**
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