





# Things to Know, Before You Go & Curriculum Overview

# APS Kindergarten to Atlanta Botanical Garden

### About the Experience

Thirty acres of beautiful outdoor gardens that feature a canopy walk through the tree tops, edible garden, southeastern bog garden, children's garden and many stunning perennial and annual plants. The Dorothy Chapman Fuqua Conservatory displays unique rainforest and desert plants from around the world. The Conservatory also has tanks of colorful poison dart frogs. During the kindergartners' visit, docents and Garden staff will be stationed around the Garden to introduce students to the various ways plants and animals are different.

### **Day-of Contact Information:**

Venue: Atlanta Botanical Garden 1345 Piedmont Avenue NE Atlanta, GA 30309

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The venue is located in Midtown inside of Piedmont Park.

#### **Special Instructions:**

#### Arrival:

Your group will unload lunches and students at the Garden. The buses will then park in Piedmont Park. Let a Garden staff member know when your group is ready to depart. The Garden will contact your bus which will then pick you up at the Garden.

#### Visitation Etiquette:

The Gardens is an interactive experience. Chaperones are welcome to become a part of the activity and not just observe. Discovery stations run by staff and volunteers will be located around the Garden.

We recommend splitting your students into groups no larger than 30. Prepare for the weather and walking! Make sure your students have warm clothes if it is cold and are wearing great walking shoes.







#### Lunch:

Lunches will be unloaded by Garden staff upon your arrival and stored outside. Please make sure that student lunches are stored together in as few containers as possible (please don't have each student carrying their own lunch) and also clearly label the containers of lunches with your school name. Your group will be permitted to eat lunch at the Garden during this special event.

#### Dismissal / Departure:

Each group will get two hours to visit the Garden (including lunch time) based on the actual arrival time. For example, if your school arrives at 9:30 a.m., your school will be scheduled to leave at 11:30 a.m. Please note that arriving early will not give your group more time in the Garden.

Have a way to easily communicate with your teachers and chaperones.

Make sure your entire school is ready to go at your assigned time. Let a Garden staff member know when everyone is at the bus loading area. The staff member will call your bus driver for you.

## Georgia Standards of Excellence(GSE) – Curriculum Connection

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