

WEST EDMONTON MALL

marine life
education programs



Bring your class or group to Marine Life at West Edmonton Mall for one of our unique, educational programs!

The benefits of bringing your class here:

An educational experience

Hands-on learning in a fun environment

Applies to Alberta curriculum for kindergarten to Grade 9

Outreach programs are also available.

Book today! Call Marine Life Education at 780-444-5320 or e-mail marinelife@wem.ca.

all ages

An Animal Expedition

(All ages, 1 hour - \$8 per person)

In this fun and interactive program, participants will enjoy a private tour of Sea Life Caverns— home to more than 100 species of fish, reptiles and amphibians, as well as our African Blackfooted Penguin colony. Participants will be able to have a “hands-on” experience with stingrays, starfish, anemones and other invertebrates. Your group will also be treated to their very own private presentation of an animal of their choice by one of our Animal Care staff.

Passport To Adventure

(All ages, 1.5 hours - \$10 per person)

In this private behind-the-scenes tour, participants will be given the VIP pass to our Sea Life Caverns. They'll enjoy their very own tour of Sea Life Caverns, with a chance to touch our stingrays, starfish, anemones and other marine invertebrates. They will receive a private presentation of an animal of their choice from one of our Animal Care staff, and then go behind the scenes to observe our multispecies tank. This will give students a look at our three Green Sea Turtles surfacing for air, among other animals. Lastly, they'll enjoy a private sea lion training session.

*All curriculum based programs require a minimum of 15 participants to book.
Plus, include a half hour sea lion training session for an additional \$2 per person.*

all ages

Oceans Explorers

(All Ages, 4.5 hours - \$22 per person)

Participants spend the day “under water” with Marine Life at West Edmonton Mall. They visit Sea Life Caverns where they learn about the sharks, turtles, penguins, and reptiles that live there. Participants enjoy a day filled with exciting animal presentations, attend a unique sea lion training session, and participate in other Marine Life activities.

Sea Lion Training School

(Ages 12+, 2.5 hours - \$25 per person)

Sea Lion Training School is a unique program that allows students to get up close and personal with our California sea lions. Participants will prepare the animals’ food, go to a private training session and take part in a unique “hands-on” photo session. Groups will also enjoy a tour of Sea Life Caverns and a presentation from one of our African Blackfooted Penguins. This program also includes a free photo CD to document your experience.

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grades 1, 2 + 3

Sensational Animals

(Grades 1 & 2, 1 hour - \$8 per person)

We use our senses every day of our lives, but do animals? Do animals use their senses in the same ways we use ours? In this interactive workshop, students will have to use their keen senses to uncover the mysteries of the animal world and discover how animals sense the world around them.

Curricular Connections

Grade 1 - Topic D: Senses

Grade 2 - Topic E: Small Crawling and Flying Animals

Home Sweet Home

(Grades 1, 2 & 3, 1 hour - \$8 per person)

What makes a good home... a warm bed? Running water? A full fridge? Animals have many needs in their homes, just as we do. In this program, students will explore animal habitats and compare their own homes to the comforts of our creatures.

Curricular Connections

Grade 1 - Topic E: Needs of Animals and Plants

Grade 2 - Topic E: Small Crawling and Flying Animals

Grade 3 - Topic E: Animal Life Cycles

Circle of Life

(Grade 3, 1 hour - \$8 per person)

Animals go through incredible and unique life cycles. In this exciting expedition, students will explore the unique life cycles of some of the animals at Marine Life, and learn about the many ways in which animals transform from newborns to adults.

Curricular Connections

Grade 3 - Topic E: Animal Life Cycles

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Plus, include a half hour sea lion training session for an additional \$2 per person.

grades 4, 5 + 6

Waste in Our Water

(Grade 4, 1.5 hours - \$10 per person)

Come along as we get an eye-opening look at water pollution and marine debris. Along the way, learn simple things that we can do to keep our water sources clean and safe. Meet some of our animals up close and discover how something as little as a plastic bag can be harmful, if not fatal, to marine life.

Curricular Connections

Grade 4 - Topic A: Waste and Our World

Ocean Ecosystems

(Grade 5, 1.5 hours - \$10 per person)

Join us on a journey to discover the connection between wetland, intertidal and ocean ecosystems. Students will explore the adaptations of animals designed to live in these unique environments.

Curricular Connections

Grade 5 - Topic E: Wetland Ecosystems'

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Plus, include a half hour sea lion training session for an additional \$2 per person.*

grades 4, 5 + 6

ASI: Animal Scene Investigation

(Grade 6, 1.5 hours - \$10 per person)

If you've ever entered a forest and seen no signs of previous visitors, perhaps you just needed to take a closer look. By looking closely, you may have been able to tell who or what had been therebefore you. The ASI program requires students to use their investigative skills to examine footprints, animal tracks and other animal evidence exhibits. They will then use their observations to determine possible explanations for a unique animal crime scene. Students will enjoy this unique curriculum-based program they could not experience elsewhere!

Curricular Connections

Grade 6 - Topic D: Evidence and Investigation

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Plus, include a half hour sea lion training session for an additional \$2 per person.*

grades 7, 8 + 9

On the Brink of Extinction

(Grade 7, 2 hours - \$12 per person)

Our everyday wants and needs have an effect on the world we live in, as well as on the animals that share our world with us. It is important for people to realize that animal populations are being greatly affected by human activity. In this program, students will take a close look at animals that are listed as threatened and even endangered because of human impact on the environment. Students will get a chance to see an African Blackfooted penguin up close in our classroom, as well as our adult green sea turtles during a unique behind-the-scenes tour... all leading to the inevitable question: "What can I do to help ensure species diversity in our world?"

Curricular Connections

Grade 7 - Unit A: Interactions and Ecosystems

Ocean Waters: The Life Within

(Grade 8, 2 hours - \$12 per person)

Here in the midst of the Prairies, it's sometimes hard to remember that more than 70 per cent of the world's surface is made up of saltwater. In this program, students will get a chance to explore and perform tests on real-life saltwater systems. They will also meet different species of marine animals and get an inside look at how we bring the ocean to the prairies.

Curricular Connections

Grade 8 - Unit E: Freshwater and Saltwater Systems

All curriculum based programs require a minimum of 15 participants to book.

Plus, include a half hour sea lion training session for an additional \$2 per person, excluding On the Brink of Extinction program.

grades 7, 8 + 9

Penguin Personals

(Grade 9, 2 hours - \$12 per person)

In this fun and unique program, students will take a close look at our African Blackfooted Penguin colony. We will show them what characteristics are most desirable for both artificial and natural selection of penguin mates. Students will learn all about species survival programs, genetics, biological diversity and much more. They'll even get a chance to play the role of penguin matchmaker themselves!

Curricular Connections

Grade 9 - Unit A: Biological Diversity

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Plus, include a half hour sea lion training session for an additional \$2 per person.*

outreach programs

Penguins: A Formal Affair

(All ages, 45 minutes - \$179 per outreach)

Marine Life Staff will bring one of the Mall's African Penguins to your classroom during this fun and unique program.

Additional presentation: \$79

If located outside of Edmonton: \$0.35 per kilometre

Spineless Wonders

(All ages, 45 minutes - \$129 per outreach)

Marine Life staff will bring various marine invertebrates (sea stars, anemones, urchins, etc.) to the classroom during this educational and interactive program. Students will get the chance to touch the animals and learn all about marine invertebrates.

Additional presentation: \$59.00

If located outside of Edmonton: \$0.35 per kilometre

