

# CHAPERONE GUIDELINES ● ● ●

*Thank you for supporting your students as they explore Mystic Aquarium! We appreciate you following the guidelines below and have included some tips for school and youth groups.*

## Guidelines:

- Chaperone stickers serve as a 'ticket' for you and your students; must be visibly worn by adults at all times.
- For the safety of our animals, Mystic Aquarium does not allow outside food, gum or straws on campus.
- For the convenience of our café patrons, café tables are reserved for their use. Outdoor picnic facilities are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Mystic Aquarium is not responsible for storing personal lunches.
- Chaperones are required to **keep all minors under 18 in your group within view at all times**. This includes entry, re-entry and while shopping in the Aquarium Store or café.

## Your students' behaviors are your responsibility, so PLEASE...

- Ensure they follow exhibit rules and safety – we ask that all guests refrain from running, climbing on rocks or leaning over exhibit railings.
- Refrain from tapping on exhibit windows or suspending objects over open exhibit areas. **If something is accidentally dropped into an exhibit, please inform an Aquarium staff member immediately.**
- Encourage your students to be considerate of other guests. Yelling, fighting, offensive language and unsafe actions should be controlled immediately **or your group may be asked to leave without refund.**

Mystic Aquarium is a **tobacco- and vape-free environment**.

**First Aid:** In case of injury, please notify an Aquarium staff member immediately.

**Lost Children:** **Please designate a meeting place in case of separation.** Notify a staff member of any lost child immediately.

## For Pre-RESERVED Classroom Programs:

**For child safety, the education center remains locked and only available to those involved in programming.** Please report to the **Milne Ocean Science and Conservation Center** courtyard **5 minutes prior** to your reserved program start time. You may proceed through the gate where an Education staff member will escort you into the building just before your program starts. As a courtesy, please close the gate behind your group.

## Helpful Hints (please also refer to the map):

The Aquarium has both indoor and outdoor exhibits and is self-guided. Many helpful interpreters provide information about the animals and exhibits.

Some animals are available to touch and investigate in designated areas highlighted in yellow – refer to the map for those options. **Please Note: Animal rest periods occur throughout the day.**

We recommend that you spread your groups out and vary travel routes so that your students can have more access to our vast resources.



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# chaperone map



## FOR YOUR REFERENCE Please complete upon arrival

**Teacher's Name:** ..... **Teacher's Cell:** .....

**Students' Names:** 1. .... 2. ....  
3. .... 4. ....  
5. .... 6. ....  
7. .... 8. ....  
9. .... 10. ....

**Class Time (if applicable):** ..... **Departure Time:** .....

**Movie Location/Time (if applicable):** .....