



THE CYNTHIA WOODS MITCHELL
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SCHOOL DAYS

Field Trip Guide



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WELCOME TO SCHOOL DAYS

Take an exciting field trip to The Cynthia Woods Mitchell Pavilion where learning is not only fun, but inspiring and eye-opening!

School Days at The Pavilion is back and this year we have another incredible lineup featuring some of the most acclaimed artists from around the world.

Research shows the arts support the development of crucial skills in creativity, critical thinking, collaboration and communication. The Pavilion believes that putting the arts into the hands of children is the best way to create a lifelong appreciation for learning and a deep inspiration for the arts.

Within this guide, you'll find important and helpful information to assist you in planning for and registering your classes for this exciting arts opportunity.

We look forward to seeing you and your students at The Pavilion soon!



FIELD TRIP SCHEDULE

10:00 - 10:40 a.m.

School Days Welcome Party

Start your day with music and dancing under the tent while schools arrive!

10:45 - 11:35 a.m.

Tom's Fun Band: The Science of Sound

Live performance on the Main Stage.

11:35 - 11:55 a.m.

Lunch and Restroom Break

Students can enjoy their lunches in their seats!

11:55 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.

Paige Hernandez: Havana Hop!

Live performance on the Main Stage.

12:45 - 1:00 p.m.

School Dismissals

Listen for your school name to be called from the Main Stage.

Important Note:

School dismissals begin promptly at the end of the last performance. **Schools are dismissed in the order of their bus parking.** Please keep in mind that it can take quite a bit to get all students/adults safely to their bus and loaded. We ask that you remain patient and seated until your school is called!



TOM'S FUN BAND!

Who said learning about vibrations, sound waves, air molecules, and frequency isn't fun? This new and highly interactive performance from Tom's Fun Band uses music demonstration to teach the science of sound. Demonstrations of unique sounds will be introduced to participants through a variety of ways such as voice, guitar, trumpet, drums and more!

Learn more about this GROOVIN' performance!

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Who gets a wristband?

Wristbands provided by The Pavilion are for teachers, parent chaperones and bus drivers. We include the bus drivers in the count when we send the wristbands. Students do not need a wristband.

Can I bring a drawstring backpack for paperwork?

Yes, school drawstring backpacks for teachers are permitted.

Are there vending machines or concessions open?

No, concessions will not be open and there are no vending machines at the venue. Please plan food accordingly and make sure all students and teachers/chaperones have a lunch.

Are lunches subject to the bag policy?

Lunches are not subject to the policy. **Coolers and wagons are permitted** to transport lunches from the buses to the seating area.

Where do students eat lunch?

Students can eat their lunch in their seats. Volunteers will be available to assist teachers with distribution as needed as well as trash pickup. Classes are welcome to sit in the plaza for lunch; however, there are no tables to sit.

How and when do I get reimbursed for busing?

After the field trip, a form will be sent to schools for information regarding bus reimbursement. Schools will need to provide an invoice from the district stating the final cost of busing. Reimbursement checks take about 2-3 weeks for processing.

Can chaperones bring siblings?

The Pavilion prohibits parent chaperones from bringing younger siblings – mainly because we feel their responsibility should be watching the students, not other siblings. Please advise chaperones that seating is allocated based on the number of students and chaperones; therefore, seating may be limited.

PAIGE HERNANDEZ

Written, choreographed and performed by multidisciplinary artist Paige Hernandez, Havana Hop! is a children's tale of culture and confidence! Travel with Yeila who visits her grandmother in Cuba to add a salsa flavor to her own hip-hop style! The audience gets to dance along in this dynamic participation play where one actress creates three generations of lively women. Journey with Yeila as she discovers the fun of her multi-cultural heritage!



Learn more about this MOVIN' performance!

IMPORTANT POLICIES

CANCELLATIONS / LATE ARRIVALS

If you need to cancel your field trip or if your numbers have significantly changed from the final count you provided, please call or text Ashley at 985-772-4459 as soon as possible so that arrangements can be made.

Please text Ashley to notify The Pavilion of your late arrival. If you arrive after a performance has started, you may forfeit your assigned seating and be seated near the back as to not disrupt the performers and other guests.

LUNCHES FOR GUESTS

Students must bring their lunch and will have the opportunity to eat in their seats during the performances and designated break. **Lunch is NOT provided by The Pavilion. Concession stands will be closed. No food or beverages will be sold at The Pavilion during School Days.** There are no on-site vending machines. Please advise all teachers, chaperones and bus drivers to bring their own lunches or snacks.

SEATING

Seat reservations are made on a first-come, first-served basis. Seating is preassigned based on class size, grade level and accommodation needs.

CHAPERONE PARKING

Chaperones are permitted to park in the free parking garage located at 9809 Six Pines Drive. There is no limit to the amount of vehicles parked. Chaperones can meet schools at their designated entrance gate.

ADULT WRISTBANDS

The Pavilion will mail a packet of wristbands for the amount of teachers, chaperones and bus drivers provided on the reservation form. **Wristbands are NOT for students.** Wristbands must be worn in order to enter the venue.

Chaperones and bus drivers that do not have a wristband will NOT be allowed in to the gates. The lead teacher will be contacted via phone and asked to meet the parent at the gate to provide a wristband for entry.

WEATHER

Field trips to The Pavilion are rain or shine. All of our performance areas are covered, but students may get wet as they move from parking to the seating area. You can bring umbrellas or ponchos. If rain or cold weather is in the forecast, please communicate with parents that students should come properly dressed to be outside during the entire field trip.

COMING AND GOING...

When You Arrive...

- >> Place your bus sign in the passenger window of EACH bus.
- >> Make sure all buses arrive together to ensure they are parked together.
- >> **Once buses have been parked, they CANNOT be moved until the designated dismissal time, unless prior arrangements have been made with Ashley.**
- >> A volunteer will welcome your group at the bus and check-in with the lead teacher. Students and chaperones should remain on the bus until volunteers arrive and give instructions.
- >> A packet will be given to the lead teacher with information on where your group will be sitting. Please follow the directions in the packet.
- >> Teachers, chaperones and bus drivers MUST have their wristband to enter the gates. Students do not need a wristband. Anyone without a wristband will not be allowed to enter the venue.

When It's Time to Leave...

- >> Please remain seated until your school has been dismissed.
- >> Dismissals will be made from the Main Stage. The order schools are dismissed is based on the parking location of the buses.
- >> Follow the directions in your packet to escort your group out of the venue.
- >> While waiting for your school to be dismissed, please be mindful of students and chaperones leaving the group for restroom breaks.
- >> Make sure your group is completely together and everyone is accounted for before leaving the seating area to avoid issues in the plaza area or outside of the gates.

FIELD TRIP CHECKLIST



Wristbands (provided by The Pavilion) for teachers, chaperones and bus drivers - NOT students



Numbered signs (provided by The Pavilion) for the front passenger-side window of each school bus



Lunches for students, teachers and chaperones - there is no food or vending is available on-site



Proper attire for students - please be mindful that this is an outdoor venue and the event will be held rain or shine



Bag and purse policy is in effect - inform all teachers, chaperones and bus drivers of size restrictions (see below)



The Pavilion strictly follows the NFL Clear Bag Policy. Clear bags should be 12" x 12" or smaller. Non-clear bags must be 4.5" x 6.5" or smaller. School-assigned drawstring bags for teachers and medical bags will be permitted. NO student backpacks will be allowed inside the venue.



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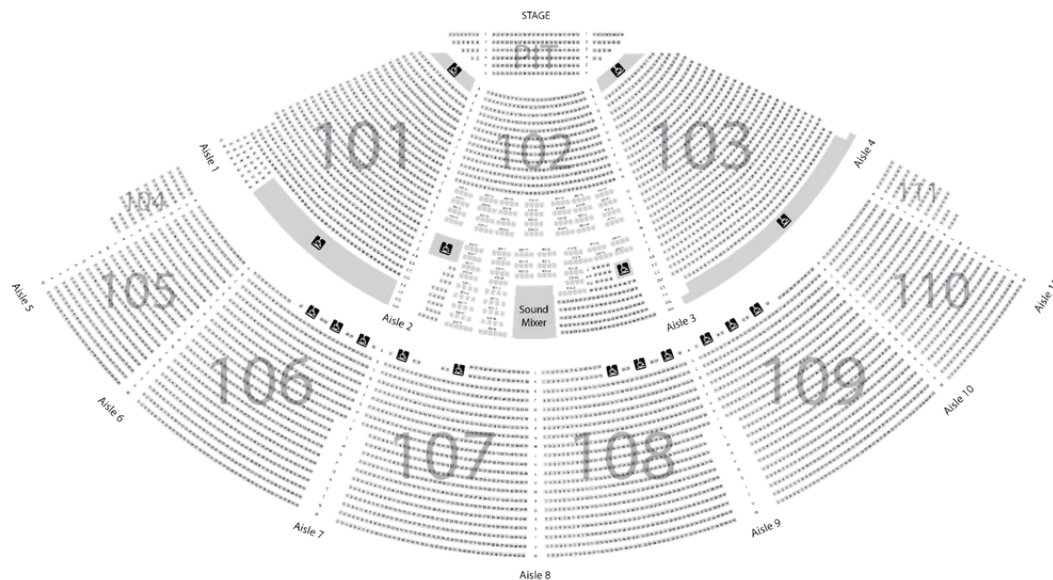
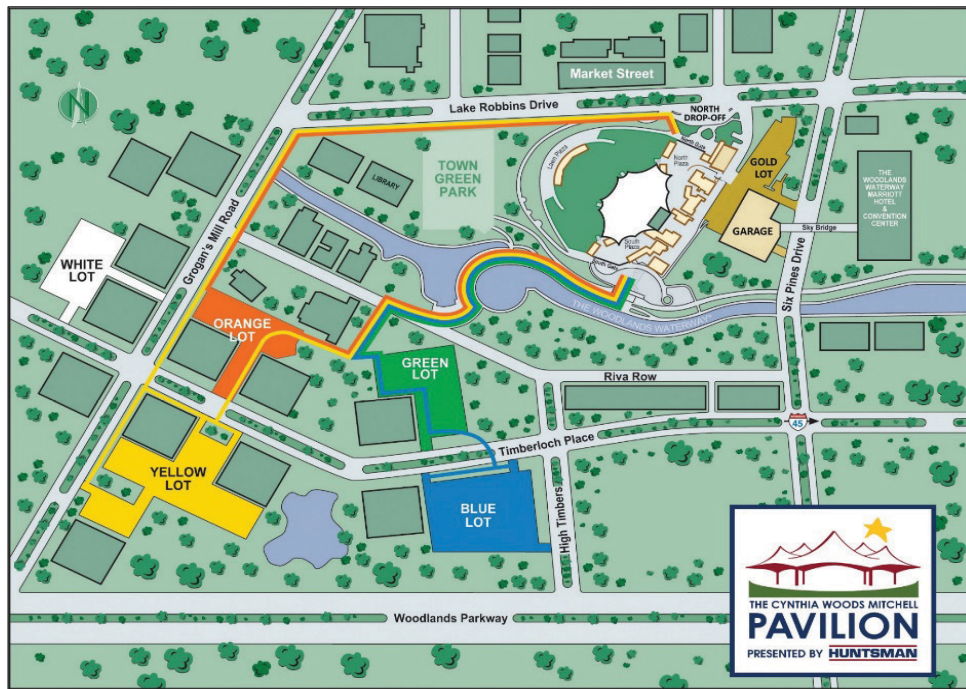
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VENUE MAPS



VENUE DIRECTIONS

NORTHBOUND

Take I-45 North to the Woodlands Parkway exit (76B). Take the overpass and proceed west on Woodlands Parkway.

Buses with **GREEN SIGNS** will park in the Gold Lot located at 9809 Six Pines Drive. To get to the Gold Lot from Woodlands Parkway, turn right on Six Pines Drive and cross Timberloch Place. The Gold Lot will be on your left just past the parking garage. Once in the parking lot, parking attendants will direct you to the area of the Gold Lot you will park in.

Buses with **PURPLE SIGNS** will park in the North Drop-Off Area, located off Lake Robbins Drive across from Market Street. To get there, take the Grogan's Mill Road exit off Woodlands Parkway and turn right on Grogan's Mill. Go through the Timberloch Place intersection and turn right onto Lake Robbins Drive. Look for the circle driveway on your right and pull into one of the drop off lanes.

SOUTHBOUND

Take I-45 South and exit Woodlands Parkway. Remain on the feeder until you pass The Woodlands Mall.

Buses with **GREEN SIGNS** will park in the Gold Lot located at 9809 Six Pines Drive. To get to the Gold Lot from the I-45 feeder after you pass The Woodlands Mall, turn right onto Lake Robbins Drive and cross the bridge. From Lake Robbins Drive, take a left onto Six Pines Drive and turn right into the Gold Lot. Once in the parking lot, parking attendants will direct you to the area of the Gold Lot you will park in.

Buses with **PURPLE SIGNS** will park in the North Drop-Off Area, located off Lake Robbins Drive across from Market Street. To get there from the I-45 feeder after you pass The Woodlands Mall, take a right onto Timberloch Place. After crossing Timberloch and Six Pines, take a right onto Grogan's Mill Road. From Grogan's Mill Road, take a right onto Lake Robbins Drive. Look for the circle driveway on your right and pull into one of the drop off lanes.

QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS? ASK ASHLEY!

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