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## **Adler Planetarium Announces New Hours; Field Trip Days Exclusively for School Groups**

**WHAT:** The Adler Planetarium is changing its hours to allow school groups exclusive access to the museum two days a week. Beginning next week, The Adler Planetarium will be closed to the general public every Tuesday and Thursday throughout the school year.

**WHEN:** The Adler's [Field Trip Days](#) schedule begins Tuesday, October 4, 2022, and runs until May 25, 2023, with exceptions made for holiday and spring break periods.

### **New Adler Planetarium General Public Open Hours:**

Friday- Monday: 9 am–4 pm

Tuesday, Thursday: Open to school groups only (CLOSED to general public)

Wednesday: 4 pm–10 pm during [Adler at Night](#); FREE to ALL Illinois residents (with ID)

All tickets must be bought online in advance. To purchase tickets, visit:

<https://www.adlerplanetarium.org/visit/tickets/>.

**WHY:** During the Adler's exclusive Field Trip Days, groups will receive an unprecedented level of support and attention from our staff. We'll work with them to find the perfect itinerary, greet them on the bus, provide pre-reserved lunch space, and give them the Moon and the stars. Groups will enjoy hands-on, minds-on activities and explore mind-blowing facts about the universe that will stay with them long after they've left the museum. With two domed theaters and 60,000 square feet of exhibitions, the Adler casts students in the role of scientist, engineer, astronaut, and creative problem solver.

For more information about booking a school group field trip, visit

<https://www.adlerplanetarium.org/visit/school-field-trips/field-trip-days/>

### **About the Adler Planetarium**

The Adler Planetarium connects people to the universe and each other. Whether it is introducing a guest to the Ring Nebula, a neighborhood school to a community partner, a research team to a network of citizen scientists, or one staff member to another, the Adler's

focus on meaningful connections dates back nearly a century. The museum typically hosts more than half a million visitors each year and reaches millions more through youth STEAM programs, neighborhood skywatching events, people-powered research, and other outreach efforts. Today, the Adler is bringing our unique approach—scientific exploration rooted in community and connection—to guests from around the world who can enjoy the digital Adler from their own homes, libraries, schools or offices. With the Adler’s support, people of all ages, backgrounds, and abilities gain the confidence to explore their universe together and return to their communities ready to think critically and creatively about any challenge that comes their way.