



THE NOTEBAERT NATURE MUSEUM

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What are the start and end times for the overnight?

Saturday, April 2 at 6:30 p.m. to Sunday, April 3 at 8:30 a.m.

What activities should we expect during the overnight?

It will be a fun packed evening! There will be *Animal Grossology* themed hands-on activities, games, shows and experiments occurring throughout the entire Museum featuring plenty of slime, blood, vomit and poop, plus an evening snack and beverages. Your family will have free time to explore all of the Museum's exhibits. You will receive timed-tickets to *the Animal Grossology* presented by Midwest Generation exhibit and the debut of our expanded Gross Animal Pageant.

Here's a basic itinerary:

6:30 to 7 p.m.

Participant arrival and check-in. At this time, your family will store your belongings in your sleeping area. Additionally, you will receive the program for the evening and tickets to timed activities, make "Gross" name tags, pick up "Gross Bags" and answer a few brief questions for the overnight "Gross Survey."

7 to 10 p.m.

Animal Grossology Activities. Two of the activities you will attend are ticketed; all others you may attend at your family's own pace. The Lunch Room Snack Area and the Butterfly Café will be open during these hours. Snacks will be provided for all participants as part of your registration fee. (Please note that the Butterfly Café will not be selling any food during this event!)

10 p.m.

All-participant Millipede Conga Line led by Malcolm the Parrot

10:15 p.m.

Bedtime Preparation and Late Night Activity Room. At this time, sleeping areas will be open for bedding preparation. Night owls may visit the Late Night Activity Room for video-watching, book reading, nature sketching, games and other small-group activities.

11:30 p.m.

Lights Out and Quiet Time. Flashlight use is permitted until 12:30 a.m.

6 a.m.

Rise and Shine!

6:30 to 8:30 a.m.

Breakfast service. Visit the *Judy Istock Butterfly Haven*. Early morning is the best time to see our flagship exhibit! You will receive a pre-scheduled time to visit and witness a First Flight Butterfly Release with your family.

For whom is the overnight program intended?

The overnight is designed for family groups. Children must be a minimum of 6 years of age to participate. The activities are best suited to children between the ages of 6 and 12.

Do you limit the number of children an adult can bring?

The Nature Museum requests that an adult chaperone no more than five children.

What does the overnight fee cover?

The overnight fee includes admission to the Museum and all of our exhibits; participation in all overnight activities and programs including use of program materials and some take-home materials; a light evening snack and beverages; and a continental breakfast the following morning. Payments are due in full by Friday, March 18, 2005.

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Will the Nature Museum Shop be open during the overnight?

Yes. The Museum Store will be open on Saturday evening until 7 p.m. and again on Sunday morning at 7:30 a.m. All Nature Nightzzzzz participants will receive a 20% discount on all purchases in the Store. The discount is not good with any other offers.

How should we dress?

Some of the overnight activities can be messy! Jeans, t-shirts, and sweatshirts are appropriate for young Grossologists at work! Appropriate sleeping attire is required for all overnight participants (i.e. pajamas, sweatpants or shorts and t-shirts or sweatshirts). Participants must wear shoes at all times in the Museum.

Where will we sleep?

Families will sleep together in pre-assigned locations in the Museum. Families will share rooms with other families; please plan accordingly.

What should my family bring?

- Sleeping bags and camp pads/mats or air mattresses
- Pillows
- Warm clothes for the evening hours (the Museum does cool off in the evening)
- Flashlights
- Pajamas or other appropriate bedtime attire (sweat pants and shirts; shorts and t-shirts)
- Toiletries (toothbrush, toothpaste, soap, hair brush, hand towel, etc.)
- Money (if you wish to shop in our gift shop, it will be open Saturday evening and Sunday morning. Nature Nightzzzz participants will receive a 20% discount on all purchases!
- Camera and film
- Teddy bears or other cherished "friends" for sleeping hours
- Personal walkmans with headphones are permitted; please play them at a low volume.