

# Scheduling Information

## How to schedule a program:

1. Please allow ample time to schedule your program. All programs must be reserved at least three weeks prior to the program date.
2. Select several dates and times in case the date that you prefer is unavailable.
3. Contact the Education Program Scheduler at 412-258-9439 or [education.programs@aviary.org](mailto:education.programs@aviary.org) to make your reservation.
4. All reservations require a \$135 non-refundable deposit due seven days prior to the program date. Payment can be made by cash, credit card, or check made payable to the National Aviary.  
Final payment is required upon arrival at the National Aviary the day of your program. Groups will only be charged for the number of people attending the program on the day of your reservation. No refunds will be given.
5. You will receive a letter confirming your reservation. Please carefully review the program name, date, time and group size in the letter and, if correct, please sign and return to the National Aviary.

## Group Minimums:

All programs have a minimum of 15 paid students.  
All groups must have at least one chaperone for every ten students.

## Cancellation and Rescheduling Policy:

For complete details on our cancellation/rescheduling policies, please visit <http://www.aviary.org/educ/teach.php>.

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# CLASSES GRADES 1-4 2011-2012



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# Classes Grades 1-4

## Amazing Adaptations

What makes a bird a bird? Discover the answer to this question and more as the National Aviary introduces students to the diverse world of birds and their amazing adaptations! Live birds and a variety of bird feathers, beaks, and feet will be used to teach your students about this fascinating group of animals.

**NEW!**

## I Want to Be a Vet

From dogs and cats to birds, fish, and turtles, all the animals that people keep at home, on farms, and in zoos sometimes get sick or hurt and need medical care. In this program, students can explore the exciting world of veterinary medicine and learn what it takes to work in an animal hospital. They will help take care of some “plush” patients and hear how our veterinary department cares for its fine-feathered patients.

**NEW!**

## Mythbusters!

Are owls really wise? Is it accurate to tell someone that they “eat like a bird”? Do all penguins live in Antarctica? Students will examine the most common myths and misconceptions about the bird world as they discover amazing facts about many of the birds that live at the National Aviary.

## Owl Detectives

Did you know that owls really aren't as smart as we've been told? Get up close and personal with these amazing hunters and learn about the adaptations that allow them to live and survive in the wild. Add an owl pellet dissection to this program for only an additional \$2.25 per student and let your students use their detective skills to discover what owls eat in the wild.

## Penguins

Did you know not all penguins live in cold weather? Students will learn fun facts and more about the 18 different species of penguins and discover what makes these unique flightless birds different from other bird species.

## Rainforest

Your students can experience the wonders of the rainforest through an immersive encounter with our rainforest birds and an interactive multimedia presentation. Students will gain an appreciation for the rainforest biome, home to nearly half of the world's plant and animal species.


## What's For Lunch?

Students develop problem solving skills by comparing appropriate tools with the functions that a bird's beak performs. Students can examine model bird beaks and live birds to discover how birds use their beaks to eat different foods.

## NEW! Owl Pellet Add-on

Give your students hands-on experience with owl pellets. Add this 30 minute experience to Carnivores, Amazing Adaptations, Mythbusters or BIRDiversity. Program includes supplies, instructions, and educational materials. Price: \$75 plus \$2.25 per student.  
*Limit 40 students.*



 A large screen or blank wall is needed in order for us to show your class these PowerPoint programs.



# Program Information & Pricing

## At the National Aviary

All programs are aligned with the Pennsylvania Department of Education Academic Standards and include at least one live bird. Specific standards for each program are available by request. Each one hour program is \$9 per student.

**SPECIAL OFFER!** School classes scheduled September through February include tickets to *Wings!*. Guests will witness the flights of macaws, vultures, and other species in our Helen M. Schmidt FliteZone™ theater. Through a 20-minute multimedia presentation, students will learn important environmental conservation messages. School classes scheduled March through June may add *Wings!* for only \$2 additional per person.

## At Your Location

All of these classroom or assembly programs may also be held at your location within 30 miles of the National Aviary for \$250 per presentation. Add a second program to your assembly for only \$175. A microphone is required for audiences greater than 50 students.

## New! Avian Assembly

Experience the unforgettable feeling of live birds flying overhead as the National Aviary's trained birds showcase what they do best in the wild. Watch our flock demonstrate natural behaviors while your students learn about the important role that birds play in our world. This unique assembly program is perfect for larger groups. See a variety of birds in a dynamic presentation that is both fun and educational. Call for special facility requirements and pricing.



The National Aviary inspires respect for nature through an appreciation of birds.

For a listing of the National Aviary's **daily events and activities**, please visit our website at [www.aviary.org](http://www.aviary.org).