



# TAE 35th Annual Conference

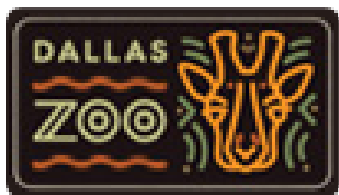
October 7-9, 2016

Northwood University, Cedar Hill, TX

## Fieldtrips

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### *Dallas Zoo*



Self-guided Zoo visit: With over 106 acres to explore including our largest exhibit, the Giants of the Savanna, the Dallas Zoo is the largest zoological experience in Texas! Our goal is to make your visit an exciting adventure with opportunities to learn about interesting wildlife, engage in interactive fun, and support worldwide conservation and research to protect and preserve endangered species.

Free to TAE Conference Attendees

**When:** Friday October 7 or Sunday October 9

**Time:** 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

**Where:** Dallas Zoo

**Cost:** Free

650 South R.L. Thornton Freeway (I-35E)  
Dallas, TX 75203.

Sign up during registration. Visit anytime during the day and let them know you are there with TAE

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### *Perot Museum of Nature and Science*



Self-guided museum visit. With 11 state-of-the art permanent exhibit halls to explore, there's no shortage of amaze-your-brain moments waiting to spark your interest in STEM subjects and careers. Every field trip to the Perot Museum is an adventure in discovery!

Museum of Nature and Science

**When:** Friday, October 7

**Time:** 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

**Where:** Perot Museum of Nature and Science

**Cost:** Free

2201 N. Field Street  
Dallas, Texas 75201-1704

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## ***John Bunker Sands Wetland Center***



Join us at the John Bunker Sands Wetland Center, as we go through and participate in a water quality lesson, looking at biotic and abiotic factors in determining water quality. This lesson will be geared toward middle and high school grade levels. Time will be spent both indoors and in the field, so wear clothes for the outdoors and closed toed shoes. Lunch will be included on this trip. The John Bunker Sands Wetland Center is home to a 2000 acre man made wetland located in the middle of a 5000 acre cattle ranch. It is the largest water reuse project in the country, providing water to over 1.5 million North Texans. The Wetland Center is the educational component of the project and provides opportunities for research, education and wildlife observation.

**When:** Friday, October 7

**Where:** John Bunker Sands Wetland Center  
655 Martin Lane  
Seagoville, TX 75159

**Time:** 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

**Cost:** \$15, Includes Lunch

**Limit:** 25 Participants (Minimum 10)

Register on line and pay during registration process

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## ***Plano Environmental Education Center***



90-minute Guided Tour of the Environmental Education Center, its gardens and the Nature Explore Classroom, plus a tour of the Plano Community Gardens (a short walk from the EEC).



**When:** Friday, October 7

**Where:** Plano Environmental Learning Center  
4116 W. Plano Parkway  
Plano, TX 75093

**Time:** 2 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

**Cost:** \$4.00/person

**Limit:** 30 Participants  
(15 minimum)

Register on line and pay during the registration process

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## ***Dallas Zoo – Giants of the Savanna***



What does it take to survive on the savanna? In this 60-minute guided tour, explore the Savanna and discover the specialized adaptations of the animals who call the Dallas Zoo's Giants of the Savanna home.

**When:** Friday October 7

**Time:** 3 p.m. – 4 p.m.

**Cost:** \$9/person

**Limit:** 30 Participants (Minimum 10)

**Where:** Dallas Zoo

650 South R.L. Thornton Freeway (I-35E)  
Dallas, TX 75203.

Register on line and pay during registration process

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## ***Dallas ISD Environmental Education Center***



**When:** Sunday, October 9

**Time:** 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.

**Where:** Dallas Environmental  
Learning Center  
1600 Bowers Rd.  
Seagoville, TX 75159

**Cost:** Free

**Limit:** 30 Participants (Minimum 12)

Register on line during registration process

Come explore the over 500 acres of beautiful Texas landscape at the Dallas ISD Environmental Education Center. Informal and formal educators will gain hands-on learning experiences and science lab ideas that can be implemented in the classroom. Through lab activities and meet and greet of various animals, workshop participants will learn about food webs and adaptations of organisms found in the pond ecosystem. Weather permitting, participants will have an opportunity to conduct pond water chemistry tests and seine a pond to collect and identify pond organisms. (In the event of inclement weather, alternative indoor activities will be planned.) Please dress for the outdoors. After the workshop, feel free to bird watch and hike our nature trails! As we will be outdoors, **please dress appropriately**. Remember sunscreen, sunhats, water bottles, and insect repellent in warm weather; jackets, hats and gloves in cooler weather. Long pants and long-sleeved shirts are highly recommended. **Sturdy, closed-toe shoes are required for safety. Participants without appropriate footwear will not be permitted to enter the garden.**

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## Kayaking at Cedar Hill State Park



Enjoy a relaxing Sunday morning kayak trip at Cedar Hill State Park. No experience necessary to participate. All Equipment will be provided. Cedar Hill State Park on Joe Pool Lake is 5 minutes north of Northwood University and the TAEF Conference. Cost includes all equipment and park entrance fee.



**When:** Sunday, October 9  
**Where:** Cedar Hill State Park  
1570 W. FM 1382  
Cedar Hill, TX 75104

**Time:** Sunday Morning, 9 a.m. – 11 a.m.  
**Cost:** \$20.00/person  
**Limit:** Minimum of 10, Maximum of 20

Register on line and pay during registration process.

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## Biodiversity Education Center

<http://coppellnaturepark.org/center.php>



This tour will introduce participants to the Coppell Nature Park hiking trails as well as the Biodiversity Education Center (BEC). Participants will learn about the green features of the BEC and how it is used as a classroom for visiting classes that come to the park. The BEC was opened in April of 2014 and is administered by the City of Coppell.



**When:** Sunday, October 9 Time: 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.

**Cost:** Free

**Where:** Biodiversity Education Center

**Limit:** 40 Participants (Minimum 5)

367 Freeport Parkway

Coppell, TX 75019

Register on line during registration process to reserve your place.

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