

Scheduling:

Tours can be scheduled between 8 am and 3 pm, Monday through Friday, and are about 1 1/2 hours in length. To schedule a tour, or to obtain more information, please call (360) 528-5726. For the best possible date and time, please schedule at least two weeks in advance.

Cancellations:

In the event that you need to reschedule or cancel a tour, we ask that you notify us at least 24 hours in advance. To provide the highest level of safety for our visitors, we reserve the right to postpone a tour due to fluctuations in treatment plant staffing.

Be Prepared:

- Wear good walking shoes (no open-toed shoes or high heels) – tour route involves stairs and covers a large area
- Dress according to the weather – tour includes indoor and outdoor areas

Before Leaving School:

Review tour manners with your students and chaperones. Please: no pushing, shoving, running, jumping, or skipping steps. Restroom facilities are limited, so whenever possible plan your restroom break before or after your visit.

Directions:

From I-5: take exit 105 and follow the signs toward the Port of Olympia to Plum Street. Heading north, go 8 blocks, and turn left on State Avenue. Go to the first traffic light, and turn right on Franklin Street. Go straight through two stop signs, and turn right into the treatment plant (Gate 4), just after crossing Thurston Avenue.

Upon Arrival:

Please provide a complete list of participants and an overall head count. Groups containing less than 1 chaperone per 12 children will be asked to reschedule due to safety concerns. The group will also be asked to:

- Leave backpacks, food, and beverages on the bus during the tour
- Silence all cell phones

During the Tour:

- Exhibit good tour manners
- Practice good hygiene by keeping hands away from your face
- Have fun, take pictures if you wish, and ask lots of questions

After the Tour:

- Wash hands well with soap and hot water
- Discuss what you have learned with other students, family, and friends