



Field Trip Grant General Information

Friends of Land Between the Lakes, along with its partners, is pleased to be able to offer grants to public schools for educational trips to the facilities at the Land Between the Lakes National Recreation Area. The School Field Trip Grant Program provides funding *assistance* for the costs of onsite program fees and residential expenses at the Brandon Springs Group Camp. This grant does not cover transportation costs. This program is in partnership with the USDA Forest Service, Land Between the Lakes.

Who can apply?

- K-12 public school classes

What does the grant fund?

- Facility program fees and Brandon Spring meals and activity expenses.

How much is awarded?

- Funds awarded are based on the number of classrooms and/or students on the trip. See fee schedule for visits below.

Who should complete the application?

- The teacher(s) responsible for planning and conducting the field trip.

What is expected if you receive a grant?

- Complete your field trip as presented in your application. After the trip, submit the requested field trip evaluation form.

When do I receive my money?

- No funds will be received directly to the awarded school. You will receive credit to visit the facilities that will be deducted from your final invoice. Payments will be made directly to visited facilities on your behalf.

What else do I need to know?

- Matching funding will increase your chances of receiving a grant.
- Free/reduced lunch figures reported must be certified by your school administration.
- The amount awarded is based upon actual attendance (i.e., if you were approved for 4 classes but only 3 attended, the grant pays for the 3 classes).

Apply for the School Field Trip Grant Program [here](#). If you have questions or would like to donate to the grant fund and assist our schools, contact Laura Caudill at lcaudill@friendsoflbl.org and 270-924-2165.

**Land Between the Lakes National Recreation Area
Fee Schedule for Field Trip Planning**

Groups of 10 or more, organized for same-time arrival and one-person collection of payment, are available for reservations at facilities noted below.

Woodlands Nature Station (NS)

- \$50 per classroom. A classroom is 25-28 students.
- School staff are free while other adults with the group pay \$5.00.

The Homeplace 1800's Working Farm (HP)

- \$50 per classroom. A classroom is 25-28 students.
- School staff are free while other adults with the group pay \$5.00.

Golden Pond Planetarium (PL)

- \$4.00 per student. Price may change depending on program.
- One adult is free with the group with others pay \$4.00.

Brandon Spring Group Center

- Dorms:
 - March through November, \$250 per night, per dorm
 - December through February, \$200 per night, per dorm
- Food: based on 3 meals/day, \$27 per day, per person (regardless of age)
- Programs: \$2 per program, per student

Elk and Bison Prairie

- \$0.50 per person for commercial vans and buses

Fourth Grade Pass

- Fourth Grade classes planning to visit the HP and/or NS need to earn their 4th Grade Passes [here](#). No funding is available from the LBL Field Trip Grant Program. The pass is valid beginning September 1 and ending August 31 of the student's 4th grade year.

To receive free admission, teachers need to have their students' passes and/or paperwork in hand at the time of their visit. See more on LBL's website [here](#).

Reservations and confirmation sheets from the Scheduling Clerk are needed to get the group rate for day use facilities.

To schedule at a day-use facility, contact the Scheduling Clerk at lbldayusereservations@gmail.com or call (270) 924-2020

To schedule at Brandon Spring Group Center, contact Richard Lomax at Richard.lomax@usda.gov or call (931) 232-7405