Sac State Planetarium Field Trips – Arriving by Cars

Classes arriving by parent/chaperone cars will need to find and pay for parking on campus. The closest parking is available in Parking Structure II, just south of The Bookstore on State University Drive. If PSII is full, there are almost always spots in Lot 7, further south along State University Drive. All cars parking on campus will need to purchase a parking permit – either a two-hour permit ($4) or an all-day permit ($7). Our campus has transitioned to a fully virtual permitting system, virtual permits can be purchased online, by using the “PayByPhone” app (and entering location code 5115), or at a physical pay station. No physical permit will be given or needed, but you will need your car’s license plate number in order to secure your virtual permit.

Once you have parked, proceed to the planetarium at the Ernest E. Tschannen Science Complex, just north of the bookstore. You can enter through the double doors into the first-floor lobby of the Science Complex. Look for the thirty-foot-tall Foucault Pendulum which swings just outside the entrance to the planetarium.

No check-in is required, your field trip host will meet you outside the planetarium five to fifteen minutes before your scheduled field trip start time.