

Educational Policy

Program Outline

Each session lasts one hour and is limited to 25 students.

Tardiness

If your group is running late, please notify The Hort staff as soon as possible so we can plan accordingly. All classes will end at the designated time provided in your confirmation, regardless of the arrival time. If your group is more than 30 minutes late, your session will be cancelled.

Cancellations

Paid Classes – For a full refund, cancellations must be received one week prior to scheduled session. For a partial refund of \$75, cancellations must be received 24 hours prior to scheduled session. If notice is received within 24 hours of scheduled session, the full \$125 fee will be charged.

Weather Cancellations – In the event of inclement weather, The Hort may choose to cancel programs. If this were to occur, The Hort staff would work with you to reschedule or provide a full refund.

Photographs

By confirming your field trip, the school or group is providing authorization and consent to the use of visual images of students and teachers by The Hort and/or The Horticultural Society of New York for appropriate purposes, including but not limited to: electronic and print publications, websites, video tape, and photography. It is the responsibility of the group leader to identify any students who do not have a signed release on file with the school.

Adult Supervision

Our lessons often have groups work in small teams, therefore we ask adults and teachers to be ready to participate and help students complete the activities. We require 1 adult supervisor for every 10 students.

Indemnification

Schools will defend, indemnify, and hold harmless The Horticultural Society of New York and the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation and their affiliates, commissioners, directors, officers, agents and employees from and against damages for injury or death of persons and for damages to or destruction of property of Riverbank State Park during visit and caused by the acts, omissions, neglect or misconduct of students, teachers, staff or chaperones. The School assumes all risk of loss of property.