

Unacceptable behaviors include, but are not limited to:

- Engaging in disruptive behavior such as shouting, persistent loud talking or shouting or other noise making, fighting, running, throwing objects, etc.
- Damaging or vandalizing nature center or County facilities, equipment, plantings, or materials.
- Abandoning, neglecting, or leaving young children unattended, or violating the Guidelines for Children Visiting the Nature Center.
- Harassing other nature center visitors, volunteers, or staff.
- Possessing or being under the influence of alcohol or illegal drugs.
- Being in the nature center outside of nature center operating hours without permission of an authorized nature center employee or volunteer.
- All acts that are subject to prosecution under criminal or civil codes of law or county ordinance.

Behavior guidelines for planetarium and auditorium program participants:

- Please arrive on time. Late arrivals will not be admitted to the planetarium.
- Most planetarium shows are not recommended for children under the age of three.
- Please gauge whether your child can sit without talking for the length of the talk or planetarium show you will be attending.
- If a child does become disruptive during a talk or planetarium show, please remove him or her so that others can enjoy the presentation.
- Please turn off all cell phones.
- No food or drink is permitted in the planetarium/auditorium.
- Please keep feet off of furniture.
- If you need to leave during a planetarium show, you will not be readmitted.

Los Alamos Nature Center Code of Conduct



Including guidelines for children visiting the Los Alamos Nature Center.

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Individuals on nature center property or individuals whose actions affect nature center property or those on nature center property will behave in ways that show respect for themselves, for other nature center visitors, and for the staff and property of the nature center and Los Alamos County.

Individuals should not engage in behavior that is illegal or that may constitute a danger to themselves or others or which threatens or damages nature center or Los Alamos County property.

Individuals on nature center property will follow the instructions of staff and docents.

The nature center will seek such assistance as is necessary and reasonable from authorized personnel in seeing that appropriate behavior is maintained. This may include assistance from law enforcement officers.

To make clear the behavior expected by those on nature center property and the consequences of their behavior, the nature center will maintain guidelines that state the policy and contain current procedures relating to personal conduct.

Violators of the nature center's code of conduct may be refused entry to the nature center for periods of 3 days (first offense); 1 week (second offense); 2 weeks (third offense); or 30 days (fourth and subsequent offenses). Violation of the no-entry order may result in prosecution under the criminal trespass ordinance, LA Ord. # 28-141.

Guidelines for Children Visiting the Nature Center

- Children under the age of six must be accompanied by a parent or caregiver. For children ages 0-4, the parent/caregiver must remain with the child at all times. For all children under age six, the parent/caregiver must have the child within their line of sight at all times.
- If a child under the age of six is found unattended inside or outside, or violates the Code of Conduct, the parent/caregiver will be informed and asked to take responsibility for the child and his or her actions. Consequences may include refusing entry to the parent/caregiver and child.
- It may be necessary to notify appropriate law enforcement or child protective authorities if an unattended child is being disruptive or a child is deemed to be at risk of coming to harm.
- PEEC staff and volunteers are concerned for the welfare of children on nature center property but cannot be responsible for the safety, care or supervision of minors of any age at any time.