

Careers in Conservation

Meet the Experts

Career Fields to Explore	Date	Drop-Off Time	Pick-Up Time
Team Development/Guest Speakers	March 2nd	8:00 a.m.	3:00 p.m.
Field Trip- Watershed Center	March 9th	8:00 a.m.	3:00 p.m.
Field Trip- Dogwood Canyon	March 23rd	8:00 a.m.	5:00 p.m.
Wonders of Wildlife	April 6th	8:00 a.m.	3:00 p.m.

Drop off and Pick up

Please use the entrance to the John A. & Genny Morris Education Center, 600 W. Sunshine St., Springfield, MO, located just west of the Wonders of Wildlife Aquarium entrance. Please do not leave your car unattended along the sidewalk. If you need to come in, please park your vehicle in the parking lot, and come into the building. During dismissal, students will walk to your car when you pull up along the sidewalk. If you want to personally get your child, you will need to park your car in the lot and come to the sidewalk. DO NOT direct your child to cross the line of traffic and come to your car in the parking lot. If your child is to walk home or to another location please tell us so we are aware of this prior to the first day of class. Part of attending CIC is a commitment to transport your child to and from Wonders of Wildlife on time. Arriving on time will ensure an on time departure and arrival to the field experience location.

Early Pick up

If a student needs to leave early please be aware that we are not on campus every class. You will need to make sure that you have informed the teachers in advance to make proper arrangements.

The Conservation Education Center is a locked-down facility. To gain entry, please speak to the security guard out front or you will need to press the red button on the wall located to your left.

Communication

If you need to communicate with CIC staff, the best way to reach us is by cell phone. Please feel free to call, text, or leave a voicemail. Please do not assume we received a text unless we acknowledge/confirm in some way. Please feel free to contact us with any questions and we will respond as soon as possible.

<u>David Giddings</u> - SPS Teacher - cell: 417-839-6179 SPS Student Experiences office: 417-523-7544

Alexander Konarski - WOW - cell: 417-619-3953

It is <u>extremely</u> helpful if your child knows where you will be during the day, and how we can contact you. Please make sure we have accurate and updated emergency contact information as well as the ability to contact you personally.

Cell Phones

Due to the nature of our program, we allow students to have cell phones at CIC. Cell phones, smart watches and any other communication devices may not be used during CIC but for **emergencies only**. Use of the phone or texting will not be allowed unless given permission by SPS/WOW staff member. Abuse of this privilege will result in the loss of the privilege, and parents will be required to come in and pick up the phone.

Media Release

CIC is a high profile program, and we constantly entertain unexpected media attention. It is almost impossible for us to keep your child out of the media. If this is a concern, please speak to the teacher.

Clothes

Do not plan for your child to change clothes at school. We will be out in the field performing service projects that will get clothing and shoes dirty and/or wet. Please make sure they are appropriately dressed to be outside in the weather and in closed toed shoes.

Behavior

CIC students need to understand that positive and respectful behavior is essential to the success of the program. Springfield Public School policies and rules still apply. In addition, the students will be expected to follow all WOW rules and policies.