My Visit to the
Orlando Science Center
I am going to the Orlando Science Center.

We will park in the parking garage across the street from the science center. A lot of people like going to the Orlando Science Center, so we may have to wait in line to get into the parking garage.

When it is our turn to go into the parking garage, we will have to stop at the gate and pay the parking attendant. The parking attendant will then raise the gate and let us in to the garage.

To enter the science center, I must cross the sky bridge on Level 2. If I am not on Level 2 I can use the elevator or stairs to get there.
There may be music playing in the bridge, but it will not be loud.

At the admissions desk I will receive a wristband. The wristband shows that I am allowed to be in the Science Center. My family member, friend, or a staff member can help me put on the wristband.

Starting The Day

There may be music playing in the bridge, but it will not be loud.

When I cross the sky bridge I will be able to see outside, including the cars going under me.

When I get to the other end of the sky bridge, I will see the admissions desk. Before we go into the science center, we need to pay at the admissions desk. We may have to wait in line if it is busy.
At the admissions desk I can also take a schedule that has movie times, science show times, and other scheduled activities that I can do.

If I have questions about the exhibit halls or need help at any time while I’m in the Science Center, I can ask someone who works there. People who work at the Science Center will have science center name tags.

I can visit exhibit halls on every level of the science center. I can choose to take the stairs or elevator to get to the exhibit halls on each level.
Starting The Day

While I am visiting Orlando Science Center, it is important I follow these 5 rules:

1. I need to stay with the family member or friend that I came with.
2. I cannot run.
3. I need to take turns with the other visitors.
4. If I need help or feel overwhelmed, I will tell my family member or friend.
5. If I am not sure whether I can touch or pick up something, I need to ask. All of the items in an exhibit hall need to stay in their exhibit hall unless someone from the Science Center says it’s okay for me to take it with me.

If I need a break or some quiet time, I will tell a family member or friend. There is a quiet room on Level 3 where I can take a break from the Science Center exhibit halls. People who work at the Science Center can tell us how to get there.

I can go to the bathroom anytime I need to go. I will tell my family member or friend if I need to go to the bathroom. There is a bathroom on every level across from the elevator.
On Level 1, I may visit:

NatureWorks

CineDome

Subway
In NatureWorks there are a lot of animals I can see. The animals will be in enclosures.

Sometimes they are by themselves and the enclosure is smaller.

Sometimes they are with other animals and the enclosure is bigger.

Some animals may be sleeping.

I may not see all the animals because some animals are hard to find.

I will not tap on the glass. That can be very loud for the animal and make it scared.
Sometimes I will be allowed to touch an animal. Many people want to touch the animal, so I may have to wait in line. When it is my turn, I will gently touch the animal.

I will only touch the animal where the staff member says it is OK to touch. After touching the animal I will get some hand sanitizer from the staff member. I need to use the hand sanitizer to make sure that I and the animals stay healthy.

If I have a question about an animal I can ask a staff member or volunteer. They will have a name tag.

There may be a lot of people in NatureWorks, so it may get loud and busy. I can leave NatureWorks at any time and I will tell my family member or friends when I’m ready to leave.
If I am seeing a movie today, I may be watching it in the CineDome. I should get to the CineDome early so I can get a good seat. Since I am early I will have to wait in line.

Inside the CineDome it will be a little dark. I will walk up the stairs and find a seat.

When the movie is about to begin the lights will go down and it will be dark. When the movie starts it may be loud.

When the movie ends the lights will come back on. I will exit by going up the stairs. I will now be on Level 3.

If I become overwhelmed I can close my eyes. I can leave the CineDome at any time and I will tell my family member or friend if I need to leave. For my safety, once I leave the CineDome I will not be allowed to go back in.
I may visit Subway where I can buy food and eat. I will wait in line and order my food from a Subway staff member. My family member or friend can help me order.

Once I get my food I will go to a table to eat.

I can also eat outside in the park.

When I am done eating I will put my trash in the trash can. I will put the tray on top of the trash can.
On Level 2, I may visit:

**KidsTown**

**Kinetic Zone**

**Digital Adventure Theater**
In KidsTown, there are a lot of things I can do.
There may be a scheduled activity going on.

I can participate if I want to. If I choose to participate, I need to take turns and let other visitors play with me.

I can watch and listen if I want to.

There may be a lot of people in KidsTown, so it may get loud and busy. I can leave KidsTown at any time and I will tell my family member or friends when I’m ready to leave.
In Kinetic Zone there are lots of things to do.

There may be a lot of people in Kinetic Zone, so it may get loud and busy. I can leave Kinetic Zone at any time and I will tell my family member or friends when I’m ready to leave.
I should get to the Digital Adventure Theater early so I can get a good seat. Since I am early I will have to wait in line.

Inside the Digital Adventure Theater it will be a little dark. I will walk up the stairs and find a seat.

When the movie is about to begin the lights will go down and it will be dark. When the movie starts it may be loud. When the movie ends the lights will come back on. When the lights are back on I will exit the theater.

If I become overwhelmed I can close my eyes. I can leave the Digital Adventure Theater at any time and I will tell my family member or friend if I need to leave.
In the Digital Adventure Theater, I may be seeing a live show.

Inside the Digital Adventure Theater it will be a little dark and there may be music playing. I will walk up the stairs and find a seat.
When the show is about to begin the house lights will go down but the stage will be lit up. A staff member will present the show.

During the show there may be darkness, bright lights, loud noises, and explosions, but I will be safe in my seat.

If I become overwhelmed I can close my eyes or cover my ears. I can leave the Digital Adventure Theater at any time and I will tell my family member or friend if I need to leave. For my safety, once I leave the Digital Adventure Theater I will not be allowed to go back in.
On Level 3, I may visit:

Fusion: A STEAM Gallery

The Hive: A Makerspace
In Fusion: A STEAM Gallery there are lots of things to see.
In The Hive: A Makerspace there are a lot of things to do. I can make things with my family members or friends by following directions. If I need help, I can ask my family member, friends, or Science Center staff.

There may be a lot of people in The Hive so it may get loud and busy. I can leave The Hive at any time and I will tell my family member or friends when I’m ready to leave.
On Level 4, I may visit:

DinoDigs

Our Planet
In DinoDigs there are lots of things to see and do.

There may be a lot of people in DinoDigs, so it may get loud and busy. I can leave DinoDigs at any time and I will tell my family member or friends when I’m ready to leave.
Flight Lab is in DinoDigs. If Flight Lab is open, I can try the flying simulators with my family members or friends by following directions. If I need help, I can ask my family member, friends, or Science Center staff.

I will either be the pilot or co-pilot.
The room will have low lighting.
If I am the pilot I will wear a virtual reality headset.

I will move the plane with the joystick.

If I am the co-pilot I will wear a headset. I will look at the computer screen and use the computer mouse to assist the pilot.
In Our Planet there are lots of things to do.

There may be a lot of people in Our Planet, so it may get loud and busy. I can leave Our Planet at any time and I will tell my family member or friends when I’m ready to leave.
Dr. Dare’s Lab is in Our Planet. If Dr. Dare’s Lab is open, I can try experiments with my family members or friends by following directions. If I need help, I can ask my family member, friends, or Science Center staff.
On Level 6, I may visit the observatory. If I want to go to the observatory I should look up when it is open before I go to the science center. I can ask my family member or friend to check dates and times at www.osc.org.

I can look through the telescopes.

To get to the observatory I will take the elevator to Level 6.

I will ask my family member or friend or a staff member if I need help or have questions.

There may be a lot of people in the observatory, so it may get loud and busy. I can leave the observatory at any time and I will tell my family member or friends when I’m ready to leave.
When it is time to go, I will exit the Orlando Science Center through Level 2. I will take the stairs or elevator to get to Level 2.

I will exit through The Science Store or the gates. I will wait for my family member or friends before exiting through the sky bridge on Level 2 to the parking garage.