



STEAM
CARNIVAL

REMINDER

The 3rd and 4th grade GT students have a wonderful opportunity to attend a field trip to **The Steam Carnival** in Ft. Worth on **Wednesday, October 24th**. We will be leaving school at **7:40 am** and we are planning to return to school by **2:30 pm**. The bus will be by the playground. The students can meet in my room when they get to school. The carnival will take place at the **Education Service Center 11 in Ft. Worth**. Please make sure your child arrives at school on time that day. Unfortunately, due to the limited space in the Carnival, parents will not be able to enter. Your child will need to bring a lunch for the trip or sign up for a school sack lunch.

I would like for all of the students to try to wear a navy shirt. It helps if our whole group can wear the same color.

Steam Carnival Information

The STEAM Carnival is a rush of learning and fun all packed into a 3 hour field trip that will leave your students wanting more. From the moment that they walk through the front doors, they are met with things to build, drive, move, discover, create, and learn from. A typical carnival experience looks something like this:

The Start Time is referring to the time that you will enter into The Midway (Zone 2) where you will have 45 minutes to enjoy before moving to The Warehouse (Zone 3) for another 45 minutes. These are the ONLY timed areas. The reason you have a suggested Arrival Time is because your students will want to learn from other students and their projects in The Student Showcase (Zone 1) prior to the your start time. Due to the unknown traffic patterns, buses running late, or little Johnny forgetting his lunch, we do not have a specific time for **Zone 1**. Whether you are early, late or somewhere in between, your arrival time can be fluid even though we suggest arriving 30 minutes prior to the set Start Time. You will be met by a local entertainer on your bus before de-boarding. Here you will get some vital information as well as all of the check-in process out of the way so there is NO standing in lines. Once you get your instructions, there will be a great photo opportunity under the large STEAM Carnival banner out front before you make your way into the building. Upon entering the building, you will be immediately inside The Student Showcase area with roughly 25-30 different groups setup to show you what they have brought. Things such as drones, robots, solar cars, catapults, and more have graced our halls over the past two years. Your time within this area will be completely based on your Start Time and when you arrived. Some schools will have 15 minutes while others may have a full hour. When it is your set Start Time, your group will congregate towards the front area near the ESC 11 registration front desk. Typically a funny dressed entertainer with a loud bell will be making racket to get the attention of the attendees. Students will take a few directions that are going to be key to maximizing their experience and then make their way to **The Midway**. Here they will get an opportunity to venture through two large areas where 20+ partners have set up various attractions for hands-on learning. Previous events have seen indoor **planetariums, multiplayer games, robot wars, flying challenges, coding, and virtual reality**. Who knows what we have in store for you this year? After 45 minutes in The Midway, students will move into **Zone 3** known as **The Warehouse**. This large area is very popular as **students build and launch rockets, compete in a large building challenge, play games, walk tightropes and much more**. The **Final Act** is found outside within the gated area of the parking lot towards the Air Force base. Planes are often flying over as the students wrap up their STEAM Carnival adventure with dinosaurs, helicopters, archery, and maybe even a little fishing. You never know what might show up at the Carnival! This zone is not timed as some schools will need to hurry out to get back to campus while others may enjoy lunch outside while students continue their experience.