

# EDUCATION & ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Field Trip and Education Information  
for the Rodman Materials Management Facility



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# EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY



## **Mission:**

Our Materials Management Facility and Landfill field trips provide an immersive and educational experience for participants of all ages. Through guided tours, presentations, and hands-on activities, visitors gain valuable insights into waste management processes, recycling techniques, and environmental conservation efforts. Our knowledgeable staff members serve as guides, offering informative commentary and answering questions to enhance the learning experience.

Booking	<p>Interested parties can request a field trip by contacting our scheduling coordinator via phone at 315-661-3230 or email at <a href="mailto:recycle@danc.org">recycle@danc.org</a>. We encourage early booking to ensure availability, as our schedule may fill up quickly, especially during peak seasons.</p>
Customization	<p>Upon booking confirmation, our team works with the organizing group to tailor the field trip experience to the needs and interests of the participants. We accommodate groups of varying sizes and age groups, adjusting the itinerary and content accordingly.</p>
Orientation	<p>On the day of the field trip, participants are greeted by our staff members, who provide a brief orientation and overview of the itinerary. Safety guidelines and procedures are reviewed to ensure a safe and enjoyable experience for all.</p>
Guided Tours	<p>Participants embark on guided tours of our Materials Management Facility and Landfill, where they witness firsthand the processes involved in waste management, recycling, and landfill operations. Our knowledgeable guides offer insights into the environmental impact of waste and the importance of sustainable practices.</p>
Interactive Activities	<p>Throughout the tour, participants engage in interactive activities designed to deepen their understanding of waste management concepts and environmental conservation principles. These may include sorting recyclables, observing composting techniques, or participating in discussions on waste reduction strategies.</p>



### Q&A Session

Following the tour, participants have the opportunity to ask questions and engage in discussions with our staff members. We encourage dialogue and reflection on the key takeaways from the experience, empowering participants to apply their newfound knowledge in their communities.

### Feedback and Follow-Up

We value feedback from participants and organizers to continually improve our field trip program. After the tour, we invite feedback through surveys or follow-up communications to gauge satisfaction and identify areas for enhancement.

Hosting field trips at our Materials Management Facility and Landfill serves as an integral part of our commitment to environmental education and outreach. Through informative tours, interactive activities, and engaging discussions, we strive to inspire individuals and groups to become active agents of change in promoting sustainable waste management practices.

# WHO YOU'LL MEET

Our knowledgeable staff who will guide you:



**Nic Tibbetts**

Safety & Environmental  
Technician

Nic will provide a safety briefing that identifies, evaluates, and controls hazardous situations with all visitors to ensure the safety of all.



**Brian Wohnsiedler**

Landfill Superintendent

Brian will explain how the landfill works and why it is necessary. Using visual aids and years of subject matter expertise, Brian will address any questions that visitors may have.



**John Phelps**

Recycling Coordinator

John will assist in guiding your group through the property and processes, introducing additional staff, machinery, and equipment, while educating your group.

# THE MURRAY CENTER

The first stop of your visit



## The Murray Center

The Murray Center and Trail System are named for former Development Authority board member and chairman, Doug Murray. This will be the meeting point for all tours, where we will discuss expectations, layout of the property, as well as host the mandatory safety briefing. This will an opportunity for the group to use the restroom before the onsite tour begins. The trail has two loops totaling 1.6 miles which highlight the agricultural nature of the property surrounding the solid waste management facility, and are open to the public, year-round. There will be a maintained pollinator garden on this portion of the property.



# MATERIALS MANAGEMENT FACILITY

Learn about the local waste stream



## Materials Management Facility

Our knowledgeable staff will explain the local waste stream and how the Authority manages it. You'll learn about the environmental impact of different waste management practices, including the benefits of recycling and composting in terms of reducing landfill waste and conserving natural resources.

# THE WORKING FACE

Witness our staff in action!



## The Working Face

This is the location for the disposal of solid waste and the end of the local waste stream. During this portion of the visit, you will see our heavy machinery and staff in action. Witness the delivery and management of waste in real-time!

## CONTACT US FOR FURTHER INQUIRIES

Tour availability is limited to weekdays, from 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM, during the months of April through October. To schedule a tour date and to acquire the required forms, please contact us at [recycle@danc.org](mailto:recycle@danc.org).

You may also contact us at [MMFServices@danc.org](mailto:MMFServices@danc.org) or 315-661-3230.

We hope that you found this information helpful and look forward to hosting your group tour.

