Owsley Brown II
Portable Planetarium

Let us bring the universe to you in this affordable, hassle-free exciting extension of the classroom. No permission slips needed and there are no transportation costs!

Target specific learning goals/grade bands such as patterns in the sky for your 3rd and 4th graders or send your whole school through, setting up a customized virtual journey through the universe focusing on the content of your choice.

The value of the experience? Priceless. The cost to you (based on 400 students) - *$1.31/child.

(*Note: the cost per student varies depending on how many children are served at the flat rate of $525 – see cost and capacity information noted on the left.)

I am writing as principal of St. Nicholas Academy, and so I can’t respond in specifics for grade-level science. But, every teacher and student at St. Nicholas said this was one of the very best field trips -- either in-school or out-of-school -- that they had ever experienced. Since we are a K-8 school, I know that you put in a lot of work to find content that was relevant and interesting to such a wide array of grade levels. In addition, the fact that you came to us instead of having to secure buses was a huge cost-savings for our families. Kathy DeLozier, Principal, St. Nicholas Academy

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Cost
Schools and Non Profits: $525 per session
Other: $2,500 per session
(Maximum hours per session: 8)

Service Radius
40-minute radius of the University of Louisville at Belknap Campus
(Note: typical traffic patterns and congestion are included when determining if a location is in our service area.)

Capacity
Capacity is dependent on the size of the attendees. A general guideline is:
   K-3 grade students: maximum 40
   4-5 grade students: maximum 35
   Middle school students: maximum 35
   High school students: maximum 30
(Up to 16 folding chairs be set up in the dome and it is wheelchair accessible.)

Logistics and Requirements
• Dimensions: 14’ high x 33’ diameter
  ○ (30’ of the diameter must be clear of any obstacles such as poles)
• 2 separate 20 amp wall outlets within 25’ of where the portable will be set up
• Access to the building/ability to set up 90 minutes prior to the start of the program
• Adult to assist with set up and break down
  ○ (must be able to lift heavy objects and bend/stoop)
• Parking next to building for portable van
• Ramp into building to cart crates on wheels
• Door width minimum: 26” wide
• Storage area for crates during event

Itinerary/Program Offerings
• Schools: we offer grade-specific field experiences that address Next Generation Science Standards (please see our website: www.louisville.edu/planetarium/portable). Our educator can work with you to create an experience that meets your needs.
• Private rentals: we will work with you to create a program that will be out-of-this world for your event.

All sessions must include a 30-minute lunch break and two shorter breaks for the planetarium educator.