



NSF NCAR Mesa Lab Visitor Center Field Trip Expectations

Have Questions? Email spp@ucar.edu

Address:

1850 Table Mesa Dr.
Boulder, CO 80305

Phone (Front Desk):

303.497.1126

Parking information:

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What to do when you arrive:

Our educator(s) will meet you in the lobby of the Mesa Lab. Please notify the front desk staff when you have arrived.

Student expectations while at NSF NCAR:

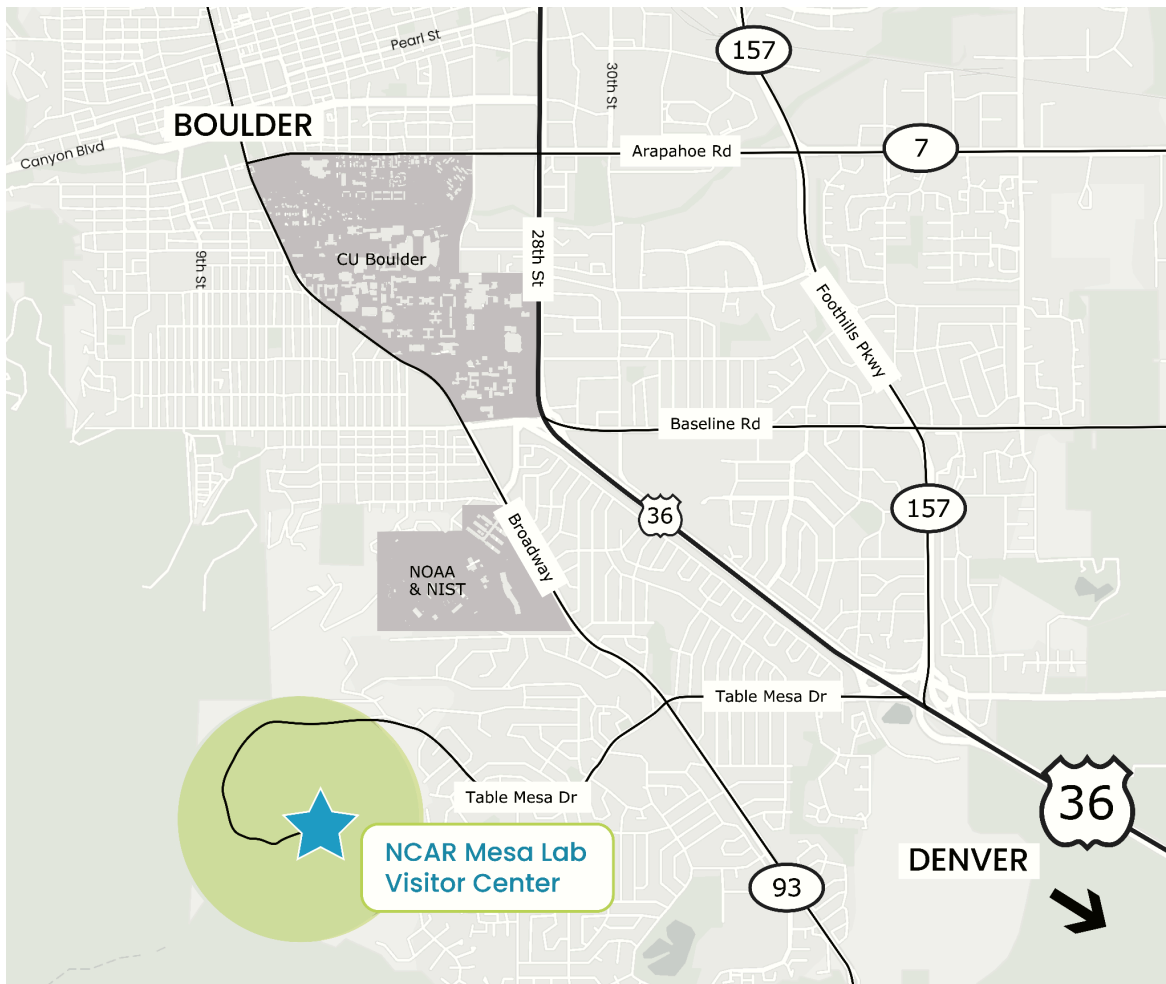
The following expectations will be reviewed with students upon arrival. Please share with your students prior to arriving:

- Because NSF NCAR is a place of business, please use inside voices at all times inside and outside the facility.
- Always walk while inside the facility.
- Stay with your chaperone and group throughout the visit.
- If separated from your group, go to the front desk. The staff will help you find your group.
- Questions are highly encouraged throughout the field trip! Please explore the exhibits and the Walter Orr Roberts Weather Trail, respectfully and appropriately.
- Most important of all, have fun!

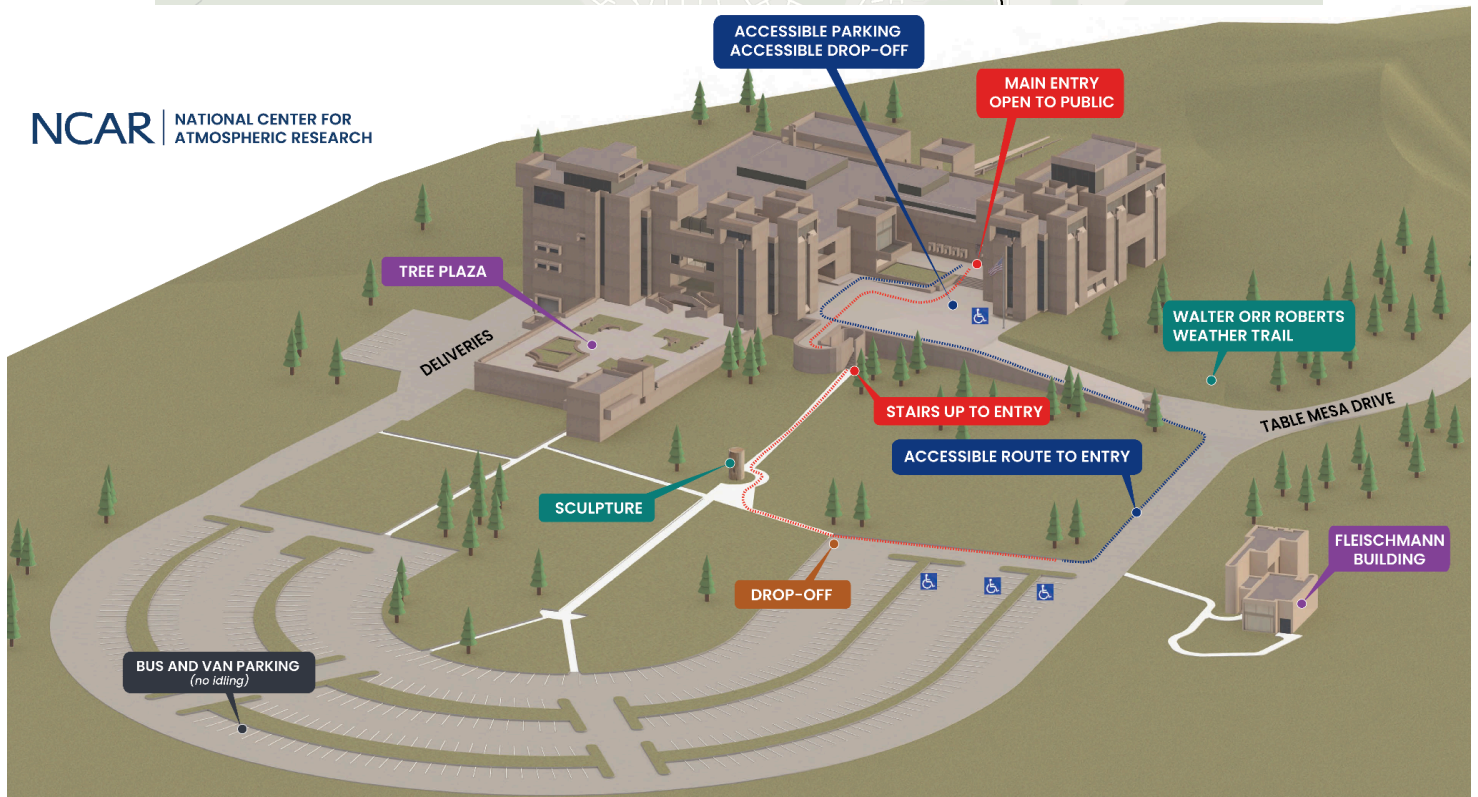
Helpful tips for chaperones:

- Get to know the names and personalities of the students in your care. Make sure that they also know your name in case they have questions!
- Establish a positive rapport with your students but ensure they know you will enforce the behavioral expectations reviewed by the teacher/event leader.
- Model respectful and inquisitive behavior and be present during the field trip. When outside, encourage and show respect for nature and foster observational skills on the Walter Orr Roberts Weather Trail.
- Encourage students to question, investigate, and talk about what they see and experience with each other, you, and NSF NCAR staff.
- Stay with your assigned students at all times and make sure students know to stay with you. The NSF NCAR Mesa Lab is a big building with areas that aren't open to the public, so students must stay with their group.
- Instruct all your students to immediately go to the NSF NCAR front desk if lost or separated from the group. The front desk staff will ensure that the student is escorted back to their group.
- Middle school or younger students must be escorted to the restrooms. Coordinate with another chaperone so that both boys and girls have escorts.
- Please turn off or mute your cell phone as a courtesy to others. If you must take a call, please step outside of the classroom or away from the group, while making sure your students are being watched.
- Chaperones may use the Mesa Lab Café as long as another adult supervises their students. If any students forget their lunch, please notify the teacher and your Mesa Lab educator so food can be arranged.
- Please help students use NSF NCAR's recycling and trash bins correctly. Your Mesa Lab educator or Café staff will gladly assist you.

NCAR Mesa Lab Visitor Center Parking Map



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Please conduct drop off and pick up in the orange “Drop-Off” area. Buses can park on the far side of the parking lot in the area with the grey label. For ADA compliant drop-off and pick-up, drive directly to the front of the building.