Guidelines for Self-Guided Field Trips

1. Rules:
   - Respect the trees and the many other visitors who are learning here.
   - To preserve the health and beauty of the trees, students **may not** pick, pull, or climb on the trees. Students **may** gently touch plant parts to feel texture and smell scents.
   - Students **may** collect plant material that has fallen to the ground.
   - Walking in plant beds or mulched areas is **not** allowed.

2. Buses:
   - Schools should plan to drop off students **outside** the gates and park along the road.
   - Make sure the bus driver understands that busses cannot drive through the landscape.
   - If you need special accommodations, please contact us at 617 384-5239.

3. Public Transportation:
   - The Arboretum is easily accessible from the Forest Hills T stop, and by Bus #35, #38, #39, and #51.

4. The Visitor Center:
   - Our center is small. Here you will find a scale model of the Arboretum, changing exhibits, seasonal highlight displays, and friendly staff who can help plan your visit.
   - If you would like to bring students inside, plan to enter in staggered groups of 10 or less, always accompanied by a supervising adult.
   - Use indoor voices.
   - Note that the Visitor Center is closed on Wednesdays.

5. Bathrooms:
   - Bathrooms are located in the Hunnewell Bldg., which is open from 9am to 5pm weekdays.
   - Plan for students to use the facilities in small, staggered groups, with a supervising adult.
   - Use indoor voices.

6. Picnics:
   - School groups may picnic on the grounds, as a special exception to our no-picnic policy.
   - Plan to carry out all trash, or use the receptacles available throughout the park.
   - We **do not** have storage for lunches, nor do we have any indoor space in case of rain.