Arrival Procedures

We want to get you safely off buses, oriented to the Sea Center, and engaged in activities as efficiently as possible. Knowing the following information will streamline that process:

If you arrive by bus

• Exit Hwy 101 at Castillo Street.
• At the off ramp traffic light, turn toward the beach.
• Turn left on Cabrillo Blvd.
• Buses pull over in front of the restrooms at the foot of Stearns Wharf to unload students.
• Please instruct bus driver to drop students off in bus loading/unloading zones along the ocean side of Cabrillo Blvd. **NOTE:** Buses are not allowed to enter the dolphin statue roundabout or Stearns Wharf.
• A Sea Center staff member will greet you at the foot of Stearns Wharf and provide further instruction.

If you arrive by car

• You may either park on the Wharf (Visitor Services can validate parking up to 90 minutes) or in Palm Park parking lot at Carrillo Blvd. and Garden Street.
• Walk up Stearns Wharf. Gather students in front of the Sea Center. Our staff will greet you and provide further instruction.
• Public restrooms are located at the foot of Stearns Wharf and at the exterior southern end of the Sea Center building. Upon arrival, a Sea Center staff person will greet you and provide your group with a brief orientation.
• At this time, the lead teacher will check in with visitor services staff, pay any balance due, and provide the exact number of students, chaperones, and teachers from your school. Please let the Sea Center staff whether or not you want your students to visit the Sea Center Store.