

Extreme Weather Policies

Because Hoyt Arboretum is at a higher elevation than the rest of Portland, the park experiences different weather. For safety reasons, extreme weather conditions will result in cancellations of scheduled outdoor programs like field trips.

If a program is cancelled, we will work to reschedule or issue full refunds.

Cancellations for the following weather events are subject to occur in real-time. Please note that rain is not included as extreme weather and will not result in cancellations.

Unhealthy Air Quality:

If the air quality index (AQI) according to airnow.gov is considered to be UNHEALTHY with AQI of 151 or higher, the program will be canceled.

Extreme Heat:

If temperatures exceed 90°F, programming will be modified. Programs will be canceled if temperatures reach over 100°F.

High Winds:

Due to safety concerns with falling tree debris, programs will be canceled if there is a wind advisory with wind speeds up to 25 MPH or wind gusts over 25 MPH.

Thunder and Lightning

Thunder and lightning is very rare in the Arboretum. If thunderstorms are forecasted during the time of programming, cancellation will occur. In the event of unpredicted thunder and lightning during a program, group leaders will guide participants to safety.

Winter Weather:

Programs will be canceled when there is snow and/or icy conditions on roads, parking lots, and trails.