



Up and Away

with Hot Air Balloons

The excitement of a hot air balloon at your school launches a unique educational opportunity.

The natural wonder of the hot air balloon combines with a wealth of teaching knowledge to educate and inspire. An informative slide-show presentation and a thrilling live inflation, and one or two balloon rides, creates a one-of-a-kind experience for audiences of all ages.

An illustrative slide show presentation sets the stage for the adventure to come.

Because experience increases enjoyment, students learn about how balloons work, and practical applications before the live demonstration. Many subjects covered include: the history of ballooning and aviation; the effect of weather; and the mechanics of ballooning. This segment of the program can be tailored to emphasize various subjects including science or reading.

Experience the hot air balloon in action....inflated and up-close-and-personal!

The live inflation of a real hot air balloon is a magnificent and inspiring sight to always be remembered. After the balloon is upright, and weather permitting, a few volunteers may be able to go on a short ride. The indoor demonstration is just as exciting, more up-close-and-personal, and even more educational!



Audience: K-12

Capacity: 400

Presentation Time: Slide show: 30 minutes; Balloon demonstration: 45 minutes

Set-Up Time: Will arrive at least 1 hour prior to start time

Take-Down Time: 30 minutes

Audience Size: Outdoor Demonstration: No limit. Indoor Demonstration: Depends on size of facility. The balloon has the capacity to fit between 400-500 students. Slide Talk: No specific limit, teaching is better with smaller groups and narrower age ranges. If your school has 500 students in grades K-5 we could do one talk for everyone, but quality of learning will probably be better with two groups.

Presentation Area: Outdoors: Approx. 150' x 150', prefers a grassy surface. Must be free of obstacles including power lines.

Indoors: Height of ceiling is NOT an issue. Lighting IS – show requires at least a partially darkened area. Gymnasium, cafeteria, or multi-purpose room is fine.

Equipment Requirements: Access to electrical outlets. PA system if available. Media cart or small table for projector. Projection screen.

Assistance: Outdoor Inflation: Three to five able-bodied adults. Indoor Inflation: Two adults or reliable older students. Pack-Up: Two to three adults or equivalent student help.