

## Youth & Teacher Initiative Travel Research Overview

	Facility	Comments
1	American Museum of Natural History, New York, NY	New genetics lab has interesting cabinets and lab tables
2	Balarat Outdoor Education Center, Left Hand Canyon, CO	No major education facilities to speak of, but great access to the outdoors
3	California Academy of Science, San Francisco, CA	Great access to natural light, new ECE area very cool, collections storage area open to public
4	California Science Center, Los Angeles, CA	The big lab stood out, the all purpose flooring in lab rooms could be something to look at
5	Exploratorium, San Francisco, CA	Current facilities are old. New plans would be good to look at if they have them.
6	Field Museum, Chicago, IL	New ECE area very open, nice environmental feel
7	Franklin Institute, Philadelphia, PA	Older facilities
8	Huntington Library & Gardens, San Marino, CA	Very cool children's area "Plants are up to something" lots of ideas for science interactives in an educational setting
9	Kidspace, Pasadena, CA	Very fun outdoor learning area for young children.
10	Liberty Science Center, Jersey City, NJ	New education center has great work space adjacencies, technology in every room, good storage, a dedicated preschool room
11	Miami Science Center	Older and small facilities
12	Milwaukee Public Museum	Older facilities
13	Pacific Science Center, Seattle, WA	New labs plans at their new Env. Education facility
14	San Diego Natural History Museum	Very modern storage for the Education collections
15	San Jose Children's Museum, San Jose, CA	Big bubble and water area for young children
16	Tech Museum of Innovation, San Jose, CA	Focused learning space tucked away behind exhibits, new lab like rooms
17	Museum of Science and Industry, IL	Brand new classrooms with partition walls that could write on, all glass front entrance created distractions of kids walking by and noise.
18	USS Midway Museum, San Diego, CA	Very immersive classrooms

\* many of these sites were visited for their array of programs, not necessarily their facilities.

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## Collections Initiative Travel Research Overview

	Facility	Comments
1	Yale Peabody Museum of Natural History	Well appointed clean collection processing and preparation spaces adjacent to collection storage; innovative and appropriate approach to daylight near collection workspaces
2	Smithsonian Museum Support Center Pod 5	High tech storage and shared lab space for wet collections
3	Field Museum	Mitigation of risk for underground storage of collections
4	National Heritage Building of the Canadian Museum of Nature	Use of risk assessment to inform building design specifications
5	Sam Noble Museum of Natural History	Dirty receiving/processing area separate from collection storage with dermesterium outside adjacent to loading dock, room on dock with CO2 bubble and freezers for pest mitigation