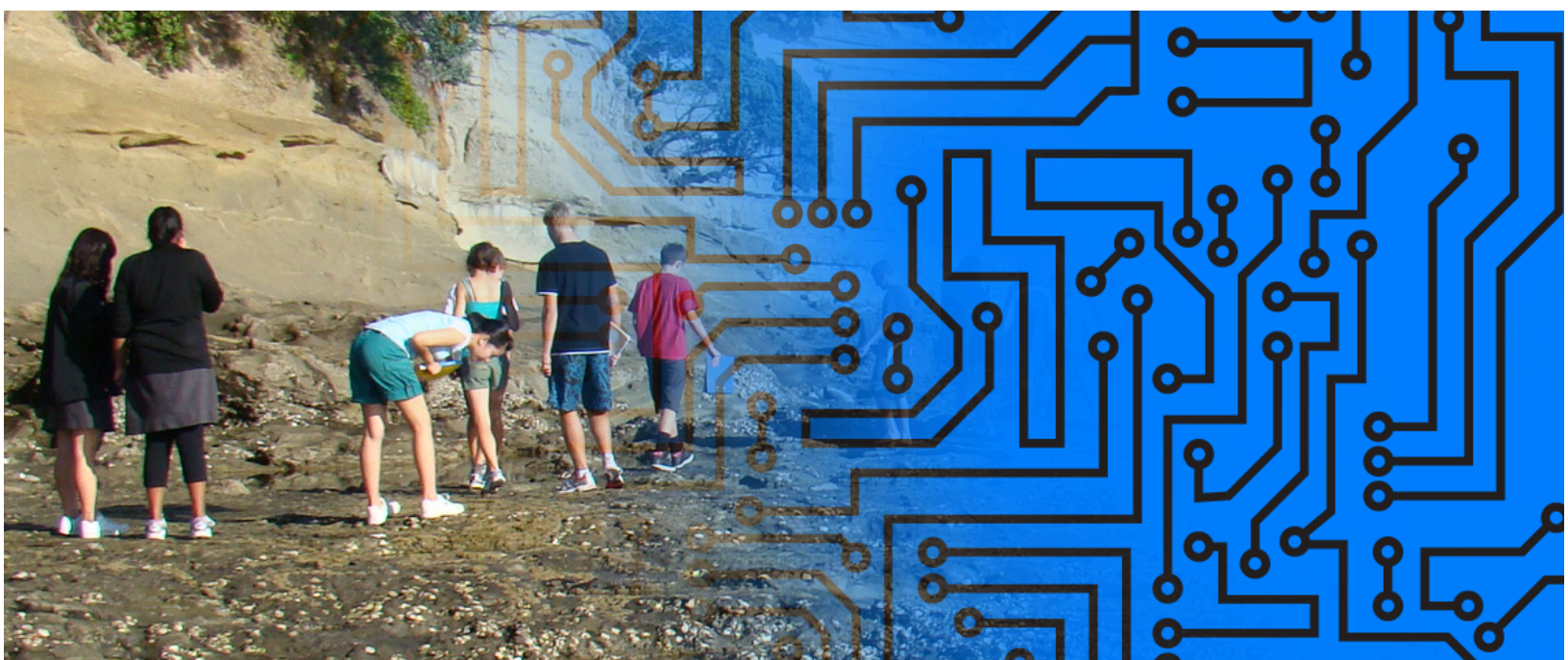


Alabama Digital Learning

Virtual Field Trips, January 2025



The Alabama State Department of Education (SDE) invites you to participate in our popular monthly Virtual Field Trips. Alabama has been a trailblazer using technology for the purpose of advancing education. Alabama Connecting Classrooms, Educators, and Students Statewide (ACCESS), Alabama Learning Exchange (ALEX), Alabama Technology in Motion (ATiM), and e-Learning for Educators are all strong tools used for the advancement of digital learning, in addition to the expansive ways technology is used in the classroom.

We will continue to use ZOOM as our delivery format. To use ZOOM: Create a free account and download the ZOOM app to your computer; or go to zoom.us and click on “Join a Meeting”. Check with your technology coordinator to see what options you might have to display the conference on a TV or big screen. You may need a stand-alone mic if your computer does not have one. If you’d like to do any testing or have questions you may contact Alabama Super Computer Help Desk at 1-800-338-8320.

Below is a listing of events we have to date. This document may be found at <https://alvft.link/Jan25> or all of the schedules from February 2021 forward may be found at <http://alvft.link/home>. You may sign up for the current month’s Virtual Field Trips at <https://alvft.link/signupJan25>

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Date	Time	Session Name
1/14/2025	9:00-10:00 AM	Movement and Motion
1/14/2025	10:15-11:15 AM	Media and the NFL
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1/23/2025	9:00-10:00 AM	Amazing African Americans from Alabama
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1/28/2025	9:00-10:00 AM	Let's Explore Your Eyes and How they Work
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A Journey Into the Life of Helen Keller

Keller Johnson-Thompson, Vice President of the Helen Keller Foundation

January 22, 9:00-10:00 AM

January 30, 10:15-11:15 AM

Grades K-5

Keller Johnson Thompson, great grand niece of Helen Keller and Vice President of the Helen Keller Foundation for Research and Education, takes students on a marvelous journey into the amazing life of Helen Keller, America's First Lady of Courage. From her early days in Tuscumbia, Alabama to her travels around the world, Helen Keller not only lived a wonderful and full life despite being deaf and blind, but she also inspired others to make a positive difference in the world around them. Through this journey, it is hoped that students not only learn many new things about Helen Keller, but more importantly, it is hoped that students will see and understand the need to have good values and character, as Helen Keller did.

Amazing African Americans from Alabama

Keller Johnson-Thompson, Vice President of the Helen Keller Foundation

January 23, 9:00-10:00 AM

January 28, 10:15-11:15 AM

Grades 2-5

There have been many African Americans from Alabama that have defined history as well as those people that have been successful in their respective fields. On this field trip, we will look at the lives of those African Americans from Alabama that have inspired us to become better people.

America's Top Ten National Parks

Keller Johnson-Thompson, Vice President of the Helen Keller Foundation

January 22, 10:15- 11:15 AM

Grades 2-12

Discover and explore the amazing beauty and awesome features that make America's top ten national parks spectacular places to visit.

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Careers in the NFL

Jerry Csaki, Senior Director of Youth and Education, Pro Football Hall of Fame

January 15, 9:00-10:00 AM

Grades 5-12

This program examines the importance of education and the hundreds of careers available in and around the National Football League. A 10-minute career video, which examines a wide variety of careers with the San Francisco 49ers organization, is shown during this session. The 50-minute program, which is designed to be highly interactive, is supplemented by a lesson aligned with Common Core/National Standards of Education and is recommended for Grades 5-12.

Classroom Activity: <https://alvft.link/nflcareers>

Inspirational American Women

Keller Johnson-Thompson, Vice President of the Helen Keller Foundation

January 23, 10:15-11:15 AM

January 30, 9:00-10:00 AM

Grades 1-5

Join us in this journey as we explore the life and accomplishments of several American women and how they changed the world we live in today.

Let's Explore Your Eyes and How they Work

Keller Johnson-Thompson, Vice President of the Helen Keller Foundation

January 28, 9:00-10:00 AM

Grades 1-5

Of all our senses, vision is perhaps the most important. This virtual field trip takes you into the world of vision as we explore our eyes and how they work, first aid for eye injuries, and vision problems that may occur. We will also explore the eyes of different animals, such as seeing who has the best sight and the worst sight and why.

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Media and the NFL

Jerry Csaki, Senior Director of Youth and Education, Pro Football Hall of Fame

January 14, 10:15-11:15 AM

Grades 6-12

This program examines the role of television in the history of the NFL and its impact on viewers. Students will receive an overview of the history of television in the NFL and gain knowledge about the growth of the NFL through television. The topic will also examine the growth of the Super Bowl advertising and TV ratings. This 50-minute program, which is designed to be highly interactive, is supplemented by a lesson aligned with Common Core/National Standards of Education and is recommended for grades 6-12.

Supplemental Materials:

- [Classroom activity](#)
 - [Supplemental Video](#)
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Movement and Motion

Jerry Csaki, Senior Director of Youth and Education, Pro Football Hall of Fame

January 14, 9:00-10:00 AM

January 15, 10:15-11:15 AM

Grades 1-5

This program examines the relationship of science and the game of professional football. Straight line movement, zig-zags, circular motion, back & forth, pushing & pulling - all movements that influence the sport. This 50-minute program, which is designed to be highly interactive, is supplemented by a lesson aligned with Common Core/National Standards of Education and is recommended for Grades 1-5.

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Invertebrate Animals – not all animals work the same way!

Tina Miller-Way, Discovery Hall Programs

January 21, 9:00-10:00 AM (K-5)

January 21, 10:15-11:15 AM (6-12)

While all animals have to find food, grow, reproduce and protect themselves, not all of them work the same way: some may not even look like animals to us! Join us to see examples of some of the different groups of invertebrate animals that live in Alabama’s waters. We’ll chat about how different invertebrate groups eat, breathe, digest food, and reproduce and then explore the external and internal features or body parts these animals use to carry out these basic life functions.

Suitable audience: The program **Invertebrate Animals – not all animals work the same way!** is appropriate for all grades. It addresses the following disciplinary core ideas: 1) From molecules to organisms: structures and processes; 2) Unity and diversity; and 3) Ecosystems: interactions, energy and dynamics..

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