



The Morton Arboretum

Vocabulary List – No Child Left Inside: Pre-K to 1st Grade

To maximize the effectiveness of your “No Child Left Inside” program at The Morton Arboretum, please familiarize your students with the following vocabulary words. This will be most effective just before the program.

1. **Habitat** – The place in nature where a plant or animal usually lives
2. **Food Chain** – A series of living beings in which each serves as food for the next
3. **Life Cycle** – The stages in a plant or animal’s life
4. **Season** – One of the four divisions of a year
5. **Survival** – The process of staying alive
6. **Senses** – Any of five ways to experience your environment including: sight, touch, smell, hear and taste
7. **Environment** – All the living and nonliving things that surround an organism where it lives
8. **Biodiversity** – The total number of different species in one area or on Earth as a whole