

# **Houston Museum of Natural Science**

Birthday Party Theme Packages

## Ages 4 – 6 year old

Visit <u>www.hmns.org/birthdays</u> Or click <u>here</u> to book!

## **Dinosaurs**

What's a dino and what's not? On their tour through the <u>Hall of Paleontology</u>, your pack of partysauruses will explore how dinosaurs moved and why that helps us tell what is and is not a dinosaur.

Back in the party room, the exploration continues with a mini dino dig of your very own!

Suggested Upgrade: a Dinosaur Discovery Presentation brings fossils up close and personal! Marvel at dinosaur bones, horns, claws, teeth, and skin as you meet carnivorous and herbivorous dinosaurs through real, fossilized specimens. Explore these topics by seeing fossils and casts up close.

# Butterflies and Insects

Walk through the <u>Cockrell Butterfly Center</u> and explore a living butterfly habitat after marveling at spectacular live and preserved specimens of some of the world's largest and weirdest arthropods.

Your little entomologists will bring what they have learned back to the party room to create a butterfly life cycle to take home!

<u>Suggested Upgrade</u>: a Live Insect Presentation during which giant katydids, hissing cockroaches, exotic beetles, and beautiful butterflies will fascinate children of all ages.

# **Astronomy**

Take a trip to outer space with an age appropriate show in the <u>Burke Baker Planetarium</u>.

Create and process your own astronomical prints with ultraviolet light—in the party room!

<u>Suggested Upgrade</u>: Space: Going the Distance! – Discover the incredible scale of our solar system as we model the great distances between the planets and our sun.

Can't decide on just one science adventure? Choose a **Science Explorers** theme to investigate different types of science!

## **Science Explorers**

Scout the <u>halls of African</u> and <u>Texas</u> <u>wildlife</u> for a variety of animal adaptations.

Create a bracelet with UV beads—watch white bead change to bright colors when taken outside the building, but return to white when back inside!

<u>Suggested Upgrade</u>: a Live Animal Presentation with real museum specimens allows you to experience life science in a whole new way!