

Valero Refinery Tour

We now have additional information for our tour on Friday, Nov. 8.

1. We'll meet at the refinery at 1301 Texas 197 Loop in Texas City. Please allow enough time to travel to Texas City (usually one hour if traffic isn't bad) and get through security. We've provided our RSVP list to security for pre-screening, but you'll still need to show a photo ID to get into the refinery (a student ID is fine).
2. Please car pool if you can. Valero will provide some reserved overflow parking, but it probably won't be more than 20 car spaces.
3. The tour starts at 9:00 am. We'll begin with an overview of the refining operation provided by the operations staff. We'll then go on a van tour of the refinery itself.
4. We will have an opportunity to stop at various points of the refinery. Please wear jeans or pants, and also wear closed-toe shoes. No dresses, please. You do not need long-sleeved shirts, but please wear steel-toed boots if you have them (or can borrow them). We may walk through process areas that require toe protection, and you may miss those portions of the tour. Valero will try to provide extra steel-toed boots to students who need them, but may not have enough.
5. After the tour, we will have a question-and-answer session that can cover any topic you choose. We hope to have Parker Wilson, Valero's in-house environmental counsel, at the Q&A session to answer environmental legal questions.
6. We'll wrap up with pizza at the refinery (perhaps even during the Q&A session). We should be finished by 1:00 pm.

Please let me know if you have any questions or need additional information. See you Friday!

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