

Planning Your Visit



The State Museum of Pennsylvania

PENNSYLVANIA HISTORICAL AND MUSEUM COMMISSION

Bag Limitations:

Students may **NOT** carry bags or backpacks through the Museum.

All adult bags larger than 12" wide x 12" high x 4" deep are required to be stowed in the Orientation Room.

- **Exception** will be made for the group leader and medical personnel only.
- Promote **"If you don't need it; don't bring it"** with your students, chaperones, and additional staff.
- The Museum reserves the right to inspect all bags.
- The Museum is not responsible for any lost or stolen item.
- Lockers are available for chaperone bags, on a limited basis.

Please Note:

Non-adherence to bag limitations may delay your groups entrance to the Museum disrupting your schedule for the day.

Frequently Asked Questions???

1. When should we plan to arrive at the Museum?

- The Museum opens at 9:00 AM. Access is not available before this time.
- Arrive at the Museum 30 minutes prior to any scheduled program. This provides time for orientation, restrooms, and arriving at your program location on time.
- If your group is late for scheduled programs, the Museum reserved the right to cancel the program without refund.
- If you need to cancel, or make changes to your visit, call us at 717-772-6997.

2. How much time to we need to visit?

- It takes a minimum of 1-1/2 hours to tour the Museum.
- It is recommended for any visit exceeding 2 hours that other activities be planned (i.e. class, tour, planetarium show)

3. What is the first thing we should do when we arrive?

- When your bus arrives, a group leader should check in with Museum Staff at the North Street entrance prior to students disembarking.
- The Museum offers Loading and Unloading only. No bus parking is available. Buses will need to move to another location for parking.

Lunches:

- The Museum does **NOT** have an inside area for groups to eat. Our outside plaza is always available.
- Bagged lunches must be in boxes or coolers clearly labelled with the Group Name/Teacher Name and will be stowed in the Orientation Room.
- Refrigeration is unavailable.

Food and Drink:

- Food or beverages of any kind, including water, are not allowed in the Museum Galleries.
- All food and drink must be stored in the Orientation Room.