Planning Worksheet for Field Trips 2023-24

Use this document to select field trip options prior to completing the online registration. Field trips are available to book for the 2023-24 school year for K-3rd grade classes. All galleries at Florida Children’s Museum provide interactive experiences for all visitors!

☐ Step 1: Select Date for trip: ___________ Arrival Time: 10:00 OR 10:30 (see options in Step 2 below) Please select the arrival time that best aligns with arrival and departure requirements based on transportation and school start & end times.

☐ Step 2: Select the Field Trip Option

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<th>Field Trip Options</th>
<th>Cost</th>
<th>Time</th>
<th>Description</th>
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<td>Explore!</td>
<td>$12 per student</td>
<td>2 hours</td>
<td>Students visit four galleries in 30-minute rotations (City Play, Design Park, T.B.D., and the Front Yard)</td>
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<td>Explore and Engage!</td>
<td>Add: $3 per student</td>
<td>2.5 hours</td>
<td>Explore! trip PLUS a manipulative-rich, classroom-size, standards-based lesson with a museum educator (see options in Step #4)</td>
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☐ Step 3: Total Group Size

Number of students _______ @ $12 each
Add Explore and Engage Lesson, # of students _______ @ $3 each (optional)
Number of teachers _______ @ $0
Number of chaperones _______ @ $12 each

- The maximum number of students per day for a field trip is 150. If your school group is close to or greater than 150, please consider dividing the group to visit on two separate dates.
- Total chaperone count may not exceed a 1:3 ratio with students (ex: 60 students = max of 20 chaperones).
- Schools who do not have access to school-sponsored transportation and who require parents to transport students will complete the online form with the maximum number of chaperones allowed, then call the museum to speak with the Director of Visitor Services to request an override for this section.
- Chaperones may use a Florida Children’s Museum Annual Membership for adult entry only and must still be included in the total chaperone count. All students are required to pay the field trip rate.
Step 4:
Optional: *Explore and Engage!*: select 25-minute classroom lesson:
- K or 1st grade:
  - My Super-Duper Senses – learning about our world by engaging the power of our five senses and observation strategies
  - Movin’ and Zoomin’ – physical science standards meet the real world as students push and pull, move in a variety of ways, and move objects with a variety of forces
- 2nd or 3rd grade:
  - Tell Me About It – observation, reasoning, and precision are applied as students explore volume and mass with different states of matter
  - How Does That Move? – physical science standards come to life as students engage with forces, motion, and gravity

Step 5: Select Lunch Option after the visit to FCM
- Groups depart FCM at conclusion of field trip and returns to school to eat.
- Groups bring bag lunches and eat on the Family Lawn at Bonnet Springs Park, which is adjacent to FCM. Note: *all seating is on the ground, picnic-style.*
- Groups can order box lunches from the Bonnet Springs food service department. Lunches are $10 and will be available for pick-up adjacent to the café next door to FCM. Lunches include house-made chips, a cookie, and a small water bottle. Students will eat on the Great Lawn at Bonnet Springs Park, which is adjacent to FCM. Note: *all seating is on the ground, picnic-style.*
  - Ham & cheese slider. Number to order _________
  - Turkey & cheese deli wrap. Number to order _________
  - Veggie & hummus pack. Number to order _________

Once all selections for the trip are determined and a date has been chosen, go to https://exploreFCM.org/field-trips/ to click on the link to Book Now!

Payment
All school groups will follow their district or organizational protocol for payment through a purchase order. The purchase order must be received by Florida Children's Museum within 2 weeks of booking the trip.
Private organizations who are permitted by their organization to pay with credit card may do so on the trip date.
A credit card is required to reserve all trips but will only be charged in the event the trip is cancelled.
Please provide this page to all participating teachers

Important Info
1. Minimum of 1:9 ratio for supervision (teachers and chaperones).
2. Maximum of 1:3 ratio of chaperones to students.
   Each teacher or chaperone is responsible for maintaining supervision of the specific students assigned to
   him/her. Museum staff will guide groups through the rotation schedule.
3. Each adult must confirm all assigned students are accounted for prior to moving to the next gallery.
4. Chaperones may use a Florida Children’s Museum Annual Membership for adult entry only and must
   still be included in the total chaperone count. All students are required to pay the field trip rate.
5. When the field trip has concluded, re-entry to the museum by parents and students requires the
   regular paid admission fee per person ($15) or presentation of a current family membership. The field
   trip rates do not allow for re-entry.

The group organizer will receive communication following registration designating the number of
smaller groups for the full group to be divided into for gallery rotations on the field trip. Please have
students organized in the rotation groups PRIOR to arrival at the museum. This will support
maximum engagement with the exhibits, usually allowing about 20-25 minutes per exhibit area.

Field Trip Galleries:
Watermelon Seeds
This gallery is not accessible for elementary groups, as it is designed for our toddler and preschool guests.
City Play
Students will engage through realistic and intentional play with fourteen exhibits that allow for role-
playing and problem-solving, through independent play, or parallel and collaborative interactions.
Design Park
Students will engage with exhibits focused on engineering, experiencing the effects of gravity, forces,
and friction while building, testing, and adjusting to improve the function of their designs.
T.B.D.
Students will actively engage their five senses as they create, interpret, and respond to original sounds,
dramatic movement, and uniquely generated scenes through self-selected materials and technology.
Front Yard Gallery
Gross motor play and self-directed activities will support students’ physical and cognitive development,
self-expression, and discovery of objects in the natural world. This is an outside gallery.
Shaun the Sheep™: Flock This Way! (Sept. 18, 2023 – Jan. 7, 2024)
Based on the TV series by the same name, this traveling exhibit creates an immersive environment of
exploration with stop motion animation, dramatic play, physical challenges, and problem solving.

Thank you for choosing to book at field trip at the Florida Children’s Museum!