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Field Trips

At Your School

Resources
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Dear Field Trip Chaperone,

Thank you for volunteering as a chaperone for your school's field trip to the Science Museum of Minnesota. Chaperones play an important role in making field trips as fun and valuable as possible for students and teachers.



Before arrival

Please include yourself in the advance reservation for your group—otherwise, you will have to purchase a regular admission ticket at the level 5 box office and will not be able to attend the Omnitheater film with your group.

We suggest coordinating with your group leader in advance to plan your field trip, including which exhibits to visit. **Please ask your group leader to provide times for specific activities. We've provided a map and schedule on the back to help you plan your day at the museum.**

At the Science Museum, there's a lot to choose from! In addition to our recommended special exhibit package, things to see and do include:

- **Human Body Gallery—Level 4.** Measure your own blood volume and see a 100-foot-long bloodstream superhighway. Meet an Egyptian mummy, discover the secrets of human genetics and see how your eyes play tricks on you in the Perception Theater. smm.org/visit/humanbody
- **Musical Stairs—between Levels 5 and 6.** Tap out a tune with your toes as you climb the Riverway stairs.
- **Collections Gallery—Level 4.** Visit our expanding Native American exhibit, which features old and new objects from the Ojibwe and Dakota peoples. See a 9,000-year-old bison. smm.org/visit/collections
- **Experiment Gallery—Level 3.** Operate a steam engine, control a wave tank or create your own personal tornado. Hands-on activities abound! smm.org/visit/experiment
- **Science Live Theatre—Level 3.** These entertaining 20-minute performances explore science topics and are performed by talented local actors. There are many shows to choose from and a different schedule every day. smm.org/sciencelive

Visit smm.org/fieldtrips/exhibits for a complete list of our exhibit galleries.

Field Trip Day

When your group's bus arrives at the level 2 education entrance, you'll help keep students on the bus or sidewalk while your group leader checks in at the school box office and distributes chaperone tags and other materials. A museum staff member will direct you to lockers if needed. Then let the fun begin!

Tips and Museum Manners

While in the Science Museum, chaperones and teachers must accompany students at all times. It is best to keep your group together in one area at a time. Encourage questions about the exhibits and be sure to count students before moving on to another exhibit! Line up for the Omnitheater, Science Live Theatre or demonstration ten minutes before show time, and arrive for lunch at your scheduled time. At the Science Museum, we encourage visitors to touch, talk, and most importantly, have fun!

If you have questions, need first aid or have a lost child, seek help from any staff member who is wearing a blue shirt or vest. Restrooms are located on every floor near the elevators, and the building is accessible for everyone.

We ask that all members of your group:

- Respect others in the museum.
- Use indoor voices.
- Use stairs to move from floor to floor and use elevators only in case of emergency or for people with disabilities.
- Do not run in the museum or climb on exhibits.
- Do not take food or drinks outside of the lunch area.
- Gather at the level 2 exit five minutes before your departure time.

We're looking forward to your visit!

If you have any questions, please contact your field trip leader or call our reservations center, **(651) 221-9444** or **(800) 221-9444**. For additional information, visit smm.org/fieldtrips.

Schedule for the Day

Omnitheater film time (Level 5): _____

Special Exhibition entrance time and location: _____

Lunch time and location: _____

Departure time (Level 2): _____

Notes: _____

Exhibits and Galleries

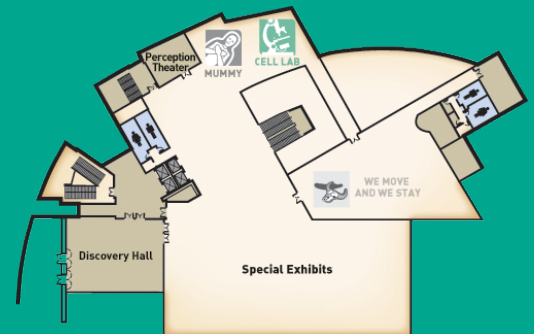
Level 5

Lobby & Main Entrance
Omnitheater Entrance
Mississippi River Gallery
Collectors' Corner



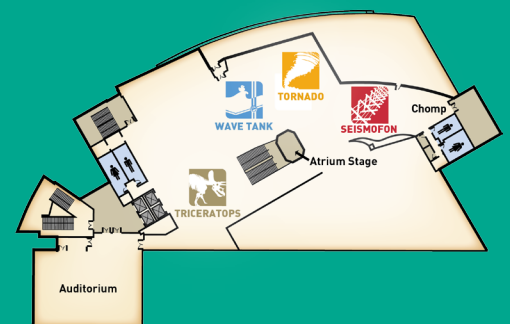
Level 4

Human Body Gallery
Collections Gallery
Special Exhibits



Level 3

Experiment Gallery
Future Earth
Dinosaurs and Fossils
Science Live Theater



Level 2

Education Entrance
School Group Lunch Space
(Reservations required)
Classrooms
Youth Science Center
Auditorium/3D Cinema Exit

