



Museum Etiquette for School Groups

In order to have the best possible Museum experience, please discuss the following points with your students and Chaperones shortly before your visit. Teachers and Chaperones are responsible for maintaining discipline as you would in the classroom.

The minimum supervision requirement for school and youth groups, preschool through high school is one adult chaperone for every 5-7 students.

Make sure to have your students split into the requested number of groups prior to entering the museum. Upon arrival, our docent guides will greet the group to review the rules. If you have any questions, our docents will be happy to help you.

For Students, Teachers and Chaperones:

- Be respectful and courteous to the docent (guide) leading your group.
- Leave all backpacks, coats, large purses, umbrellas, and lunches in the event space during the tour.
- We ask that all members of your group do not chew gum, carry food or drinks while in the museum.
- Keep your hands to yourself—do not touch objects in the museum. The oils, salts, and acids on our hands can damage them. Docents will let you know what can be touched.
- Use quiet, inside voices while walking through the museum galleries. Being at the museum can be an exciting experience. Remind your students to be respectful of other museum visitors.
- Questions and comments are great! Please raise your hand when you want to speak and listen quietly when others are talking.
- Students must stay with their chaperone or teacher before, during, and after the tour, whether in the galleries, restrooms, and near the museum entrance.
- Teachers or chaperones must accompany the student to the bathroom per WCSD policy.
- Please turn off, silence or refrain from using cell phones during the museum tour. Please take all phone calls outside of the Museum (Chaperones and Teachers).
- Unfortunately, we do not have space available inside the Museum for school groups to eat their lunches.
- Our docent guides are volunteers that take time out of their day for you. If you are running late, please call to let us know at 775.688.1190 ext. 0.

For Chaperones:

- Parking Passes - If Chaperones arrive by car, parking passes are available at the front desk.
- Ask the Chaperones to stay with their group throughout the field trip. Adult Chaperones are responsible for the students' conduct and behavior throughout their visit to the Museum.
- Make sure the Chaperones are aware of all students in their group so that no one is left behind.
- Please review museum etiquette with all Chaperones for these rules and responsibilities apply to them as well.

We are looking forward to your visit! See you soon at the Nevada Historical Society.