

Chaperone Guidelines

PLEASE COPY & DISTRIBUTE TO ALL ADULT CHAPERONES

Thank you for accompanying your students on a field trip to the Natural History Museum! Please read the following guidelines:

- 1. Before your trip read and review the Field Trip Guidelines and any materials given to you by the teacher.
- 2. For safety and security, chaperones must stay with their assigned group of students, including high-school aged students while exploring the museum. Students that leave the premises will not be granted re-entry without their adult chaperone or teacher present.
- 3. When you arrive, the lead teacher will enter first to check your group in. Please wait with your students on the **South Lawn** while your teacher checks in your group.
- 4. Remind students to be considerate of other visitors by not blocking passageways, keeping voices down, and making room for other groups in the exhibits.
- 5. We ask that chaperones remind students that there is no food or drink allowed inside the museum.
- 6. We ask that chaperones understand that they may have a shared experience with other classes in specific add-on activities, such as theater programs and shows. Please remind students to be mindful of noise and raised voices when engaging in a shared experience.
- 7. Museum chaperones must follow the expectations and policies designated to school groups even if they are a museum membership holder. Membership perks cannot be used on a chaperone's individual group. This is to ensure that the trip is equitable to all students in a school group.
- 8. Unfortunately, there is **no storage for lunches or personal belongings.** Please prepare to carry belongings on your person or coordinate with your teacher about an appropriate place to store lunches such as the bus or a personal vehicle.
- 9. Chaperones not supporting Museum guidelines and policies may jeopardize a school's ability to book field trips to the Museum in the future.

Thank you for being a chaperone!