

MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL FIELD TRIP OPTIONS

SITES: BLUEDORN SCIENCE IMAGINARIUM | GROUT MUSEUM OF HISTORY & SCIENCE RENSSELAER RUSSELL HOUSE MUSEUM | SULLIVAN BROTHERS IOWA VETERAN MUSEUM

FEATURED TOURS & EXHIBITS -

WHOSE LAND IS THIS? NATIVE AMERICANS AND EURO-AMERICANS IN IOWA: GUIDED

This is a traveling exhibit on the fateful contact between Native Americans in Iowa and Euro-Americans. The exhibit highlights federal, state, county and other sites related to Native Americans in Iowa and the history of Euro-American settlement in the state. It offers historical perspectives on issues such as intolerance, social justice, and environmental responsibility and sustainability, that continue to challenge us today. *Available April-August 2019*

GENERAL TOUR OPTIONS

SULLIVAN BROTHERS IOWA VETERANS MUSEUM: GUIDED OR SELF-GUIDED

Tour both levels of the Sullivan Brothers Iowa Veterans Museum. Choose between a guided tour with the museum staff or a self-guided tour. Tour includes information about servicemen and women and artifacts from Civil War to the present.

CIVIL WAR: GUIDED

While touring through the permanent Civil War exhibit, students will learn about slavery and other causes of the Civil War. Who was fighting in this war? Where did this war take place? Students will also listen to stories about what life was like for both soldiers and children during the war through letters and memorabilia.

SULLIVAN BROTHERS/WWII: GUIDED

Learn more about Waterloo's Sullivan brothers and their fascinating story through a short video and a tour through their exhibit. Also learn more about World War II: who was involved, where it took place, and the reasons behind the start of the war.

CURRENT CONFLICTS: GUIDED

This tour focuses on today's United States troops: the different branches of the military, active duty life and locations overseas where troops have been deployed. Students will gain a better understanding of the war through experiencing the interactive kiosk and listening to interviews.

IOWANS IN THE VIETNAM WAR: GUIDED - *REQUEST A VIETNAM VETERAN TO SPEAK DURING YOUR VISIT.** Experience the Vietnam War, one of the longest wars in American history, which combines an interactive international timeline, individual stories of Iowa Veterans, and Iowa's only Faces to Go With Names exhibit. **Veteran availability not guaranteed*.

SCIENCE OF WAR: GUIDED TOUR & DEMONSTRATION

This tour combines history and science as students learn about some of the greatest wartime technological innovations, such as the physics of airplanes and the chemistry of firearms.

TIPS FOR TEACHERS

- Bus grants are available through Silos & Smokestacks National Heritage Area: http://bit.ly/2axdMEg
- Work with GMD Education Staff to create a letter writing activity to be completed prior to your scheduled visit
- If funding is an issue, consider approaching military organizations or your parent/teacher organization for funding assistance

TOUR INFORMATION & GUIDELINES

WHAT DOES IT COST?

CHILDREN (SIXTH - TWELFTH GRADE)

\$3.00 per child per program, 45 minute (unless otherwise noted)

DAY AWAY

Choose at least one program from each site to receive a 25% discount!

- \$9.00 per child
- 9:30am 2:00pm
- Choose 4 different programs
- Times listed include a lunch break

TEACHER/CHAPERONE

- One adult is REQUIRED for every 15 students and will be admitted free
- All bus drivers will also receive free admission

WHAT DO I NEED TO KNOW?

- Minimum group of 15 kids required
- Reservation MUST be made at least two weeks prior to tour
- Reservations are booked on a first-come, first-served basis

HOW TO MAKE A RESERVATION

Please have the following information ready:

- Museum programs to be reserved
- Date and time of arrival (have alternate dates)
- Name of school and teacher in charge
- Primary contact's e-mail address is required along with complete mailing address and telephone number of school
- Grade level and number of students, teachers and chaperones
- Special needs (disabilities, hearing/sight impaired)

PRIOR TO YOUR TRIP

- You will receive a confirmation sheet detailing costs, check in and bus directions
- If paying by check have one check for the entire amount. We also accept Visa, Mastercard, & Discover
- Make check payable to Grout Museum District
- Designate a chaperone for each group of 15 children. Chaperone must stay with those 15 children at all times
- Payment by PO is accepted, tours will be charged an additional 8% invoicing fee

UPON ARRIVAL

- One teacher must know the exact number of children and adults attending and have payment and confirmation form ready
- Programs begin promptly as scheduled, so please be on time
- Upon arrival museum staff will greet the group

Call for more information on Science related workshops and tours at the Grout Museum District's Bluedorn Science Imaginarium or let us come to you! HAB & STEM programming are available through our outreach program.

TO SCHEDULE A TOUR OR FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT US MONDAY- FRIDAY, 9AM - 5PM AT 319.234.6357 OR INFO@GMDISTRICT.ORG





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