



Field Trip Programs at the Elkhorn Valley Museum

Preschool Field Trip

Preschoolers enjoy this introduction to regional history at Elkhorn Valley Museum, which includes a special guided tour of the museum that focuses on shapes, colors, and animals. Following the tour, preschoolers will learn how butter is made while making their own batches and completing a craft. After the activity, teachers can choose either a scavenger hunt, outside time, or free-play in the Children's Discovery Zone. Total field trip time is approximately 1 hour.

The following field trip is designed to meet 4th Grade Nebraska State Education Standards and can be adapted for any age group.

The History Experience Field Trip at the Elkhorn Valley Museum

For Kindergarten and Up

After an interactive tour of the museum students will be taken into the Dederman Schoolhouse in Verges Park. Students will experience what it was like to be a student in a one-room country schoolhouse. Next, they will explore the Dederman Cabin, learn about pioneer life, and make their own butter! The field trip closes with outdoor play in Verges Park, learning about and playing 19th-century games. Picnic tables are available for the students to eat lunch in the park.

In Case of Inclement Weather

In cases of inclement weather an alternative schedule will be used. Students will learn about life of the region's early settlers through a historical pictures presentation. Then, students will participate in a scavenger hunt through the museum looking for items they will recognize from the presentation. Afterwards, in the Lueshen Bird Library, students will make their own butter and learn about 19th-century toys! Students are invited to eat lunch in the museum's community room.

The Elkhorn Valley Museum recommends a 1.5 hour field trip from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. plus transition and bathroom time. After the staff-led programs, teachers are encouraged to explore the Children's Discovery Zone and the Lueshen Bird Library. Groups larger than 15 will be divided into smaller groups.

Field Trip Admission Fees: \$4/student



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School Field Trip Reservation Form

**ELKHORN
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MUSEUM**

Contact Name _____

School _____

Grade _____ Phone Number _____

or Students _____ E-Mail _____

Field Trip Date _____ Time _____

Will Visit the Gift Shop? Yes or No

Having lunch at the museum? Yes or No

Will bring payment on day of field trip? Yes or No

Or will pay before on _____

Registering

Registration is required for all programs. To schedule your visit, please contact Amy at (402) 371-3886 or email amy@elkhornvalleymuseum.org.

Please make your reservations at least two weeks in advance. Please plan ahead during busy times of the school year and have several possible dates in mind when scheduling your visit.

When making your reservation, please let us know of any special needs in your group to allow us to best accommodate you and your students.

Coming to the Museum

Please plan on arriving 5 to 10 minutes before your program is scheduled to begin. This will allow us to complete your group check-in without cutting into your program time.

If you need to cancel your program or tour for any reason, please contact the Museum as soon as possible at (402) 371-3886.

Students may visit the Museum Shop with your permission and with adult supervision after the field trip has ended.

Participants and chaperones are welcome to bring cameras to document their visit. We ask that you do not use a flash. Afterward, please share your photos with us! Send them to amy@elkhornvalleymuseum.org.