

## Chaperone Guide

Help your group have a great museum field trip!  
*Please give a copy of this page to each chaperone.*

We appreciate your participation as a chaperone for your group's museum field trip. Your role as a chaperone is more than just a supervisor. You should model good behavior, participate in activities, discipline children if necessary, and stay with the group at all times throughout the program.

### **What are my chaperone responsibilities?**

- Supervising children, helping them learn, and making sure they behave appropriately.
- Gently redirect them if they are having trouble focusing.
- Actively participating in activities.
- Keep track of children, and stay with your group at all times.

### **How can I help the children get the most out of their museum program?**

- Encourage curiosity and exploration throughout the program and exhibits.
- Ask the students questions that keep them involved; responding positively to their answers and ideas; and encouraging them to participate.

### **How can I help the group complete activities?**

- We don't expect you to be an expert – but you can help find answers along with your group.
- Help the children look for clues in the exhibits.

### **What else do I need to know?**

- No food or drink (including gum) is allowed in the exhibit halls.
- Taking pictures is fine, but please no flash.
- Walk rather than run.
- Write only on appropriate surfaces.
- Use inside voices.
- Be gentle and respectful with interactives and touchable items.
- Have fun!

**Thank You!** Being a chaperone is a wonderful way to be a part of your students' visit and is also an important responsibility. We appreciate your support!

