

# Tips for Chaperones

Thank you for taking time to help your school and teachers take part in one of the South Carolina State Museum's exciting field trips! Along with staying engaged with your students, here are some other tips for a successful trip.

- 1.** Please stay with your group of students at all times. No matter their age they should be within arm's reach. This includes exhibits "just around the corner." We also ask that all teachers and chaperones remain engaged with their students instead of electronic devices as much as possible.
- 2.** Please visit our Education Stations when you see them – our docents love to teach! You don't sign up for these so feel free to stop by and say hi! Education Stations are seasonal and depend on weekly group schedules.
- 3.** No food, drinks, gum, or candy are allowed in the museum by anyone at any time (outside of the Launch Room or Crescent Café). This includes students, teachers, and chaperones.
- 4.** Please remind students of museum rules (inside voices, walking feet, and respect the exhibits). We also ask that everyone use the right side of the stairwells when going up and down.
- 5.** Mind the schedule your teachers give you. It is your responsibility to keep your group on time. Buses will pick-up at the front of the building, near the Cotton Mill Exchange.

Your teachers will let you know if your school is scheduled for a Planetarium, 4D, STEM, or other program. Please arrive early if you are. For Planetarium and 4D shows, you may become separated from your group by a row. That's ok! We promise! Please sit where SCSM asks you to and we'll get everyone together after the show.

Field Trips like this would never be possible without the dedication of chaperones like you. We are incredibly grateful to have you here! Have fun and please feel free to stop a SCSM staff member if you need any help, get a little lost, or have any questions at all!