



THE BUFFALO HISTORY MUSEUM

2025-2026

Field Trip Options



History Museum Field Trips!



Create an amazing experience for your students with one of our three field trip options at the Buffalo History Museum!

Traditional Field Trip

\$8 PER STUDENT

Experienced docents will guide students through several exhibits in the museum, including a chance to see the Sports ICONS exhibit. We can tailor the experience to what you would like to cover, but usually include a visit to the Pioneer Exhibit, the Native American Gallery and we stop by a few sections of the Continuum exhibit to learn about the Erie Canal and Slavery and Abolitionism in New York State. We teach them about the importance of artifacts in learning about history. At the end of the morning, each student receives a token to remember their day with us.

Village of Buffalo Creek Field Trip

\$10 PER STUDENT

Welcome to the Village of Buffalo Creek, established in 1806. You and your students can immerse yourselves in 19th century life for two hours. Walk through the exhibit and see artifacts from log cabin homes and the blacksmith's shop. Pick up artifacts and play with games and toys that children played with. Students will also make a sample quilt square out of cardstock paper that they can take home.



Haudenosaunee Field Trip

\$10 PER STUDENT

Welcome to The Buffalo History Museum, where you and your students can immerse yourselves in two hours of Haudenosaunee history and culture. Explore a detailed model of a village and step inside a longhouse. Pick up traditional tools and accessories and listen to stories that have been passed down through generations. Learn how the Haudenosaunee Nations formed a Confederacy and how they continue to uphold their legacy in Western New York today. Students will create their own beaded bracelet to take home as a memento of their experience.



Canalside Field Trips!

Invite your students to explore how the Erie Canal continues to shape who we are — and where we're going — with one of our educational programs!

1ST GRADE

Past, Present, Future

Come explore the past, experience the present and see what the future holds. Create a timeline of the Erie Canal!

2ND GRADE

Timeline

Oh no! The timeline of events has been mixed up! Come unscramble history and explore the Erie Canal.

3RD GRADE

Who Am I?

DeWitt Clinton? Red Jacket? Marie Love? Use clues to find historic figures and piece together history!

4TH GRADE

Artifact vs. Replica

Artifact vs. replica? What's the difference? Explore the history of the Erie Canal and the artifacts we have!

5TH GRADE

Primary and Secondary Sources

Let's take a look at sources! Using material from before, during, and after the Canal era to identify what source is what!

MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL

The Tour

Come explore the perspectives of the Erie Canal and all it has to offer!



WATERWAY OF CHANGE

For more information about Canalside field trip options and program costs contact:

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Teachers will receive lesson plans that include activities and worksheets for the classroom before and after your visit. Lesson plans are aligned with New York State Education Department Social Studies curriculum.



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