

Field Trip FAQs:

How Much Does a Field Trip Cost?

Field trips are \$12 for students and chaperones. You receive one free chaperone with every six students. Teachers and aides for students with special needs are always free. Chaperones must be at least 18.

What is a Typical Field Trip Like?

Here at CMON, we learn through play! Every exhibit is a hands-on immersive experience where your students will learn STEAM-based concepts while enhancing their interpersonal skills. We ask groups to arrive at 9:45 a.m. to have time to complete group check-in and orientation. Groups will enter the Museum at 10 a.m. Groups arriving late will need to have their assigned schedule altered. During your Museum visit, you will follow a schedule where you have plenty of time for exploration. Teachers may choose to explore the exhibits, including the Traveling Exhibit, participate in projects in the Art Studio, or play outside in the backyard (weather permitting).

What STEAM Workshops Do You Offer? How Much Do They Cost?

Add a STEAM workshop to your next field trip for a hands-on activity with one of our educators. Workshops are each 30 minutes and cost \$40 per group of 25 students. A Museum Educator will lead your STEAM workshop, modifying the content to fit the grade level of your students. You can select from one of the following themes:

- S – Super Scientist**
- T – Kids Can Code!**
- E – Rollercoaster Redesign**
- A – Artful Antics**
- M – The Math Path**

What Days Can I Book a Field Trip?

Field Trips are available Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Add-on STEAM workshops are only available to field trips booked on Mondays or Tuesdays and extend your visit to 1:30 pm.

How Do I Book a Field Trip?

Gather the information listed below and place a field trip request online. This is not a guaranteed reservation. CMON staff will follow up with you to complete your booking, including the name of the main contact, school, contact number, email address, three date options for your field trip, grade, number of students/attendance, and optional STEAM workshop add-on. After booking your field trip, you will receive a confirmation and the Teacher's Schedule by email. Please make sure all teachers and chaperones participating in the field trip receive their schedule before the field trip.

What is the Minimum/Maximum Number of Students Required to Book a Field Trip?

Field trips are available for a minimum of 10 students. CMON's daily field trip maximum is 100 students. If you have more than 100 students, you will need to book two dates.

What Are Your Payment Guidelines?

Payment may be made by credit card, check, or cash on the day of your field trip. Free admission passes, half-off admission passes, discount coupons, library access passes, CMON memberships, or any other form of discounted admission may NOT be applied to students for field trip payment. Chaperones who are members of the Museum may enter for free if they check in at the front desk with their ID. CMON does not provide refunds for overestimating the number of participants attending the field trip. You may contact CMON up to the day before your trip to request a headcount change and a new invoice.

What if I Need to Change or Cancel my Reservation?

The Museum is in high demand for visiting groups and we must limit the number of groups scheduled on any given day. Therefore, if your plans change, we ask that you cancel, reschedule, or change the number of students in your group well in advance of your visit.

Is the Museum Accessible For Students and Adults With Disabilities?

CMON is a fully accessible museum. Please let us know when booking if your group requires special accommodations.

What are Our Lunch Options?

Schools must bring their lunches if planning to eat while at the Museum. Please make sure your lunches are sorted by teacher into coolers or baskets clearly labeled with the name of your school and teachers' names. All lunches are eaten outdoors on the terrace of the Inventioneer's Lab.

Can Chaperones Bring Other Children with Them?

Chaperones MAY NOT bring younger or older children with them on the field trip. If they bring younger or older siblings, they will not count toward your required student-to-chaperone ratio and will be required to check in as a general Museum visitor at the general admission rates.

Sign up for your next Field Trip Now!

