

MUHAMMAD ALI CENTER

Helpful Hints for Teachers and Chaperones

Thank you for choosing the Muhammad Ali Center for your student group tour. We hope the following information will help you have a fun and educational visit with us.

The Muhammad Ali Center relies on the teachers and chaperones accompanying groups to help ensure that students tour the Center in a safe and respectful manner.

Pre-Visit Hints:

- The Muhammad Ali Center exhibits are recommended for students 4th grade and older. For younger children, chaperones should expect that they will need to interpret the information contained within the exhibits.
- Please divide students into small groups of 10 or less, each with a chaperone to supervise and facilitate the learning within the exhibits.

Arrival Hints:

- When checking in at our Admissions Desk (located on Level 2 of the Center), please have an accurate count of students and chaperones as well as your payment prepared ahead of time. In case of an emergency, we ask for all lead teachers to leave their name and cell phone numbers at the admissions desk upon arrival.
- If possible, please advise students to leave all backpacks at school or on the bus. If this is not possible, we will make every effort to secure the bags in a classroom or office throughout the duration of your visit. We do understand that teachers may need to carry a bag with him/her.
- Any adult associated with the group tour, who drives separately from the bus transportation, may park in the garage attached to the Center. Regular parking rates apply. For more information, please visit <http://www.louisvilleky.gov/PARC/>, or call (502) 584-3817.
- Food, gum, beverages, or candy are not permitted in the exhibits. Please make sure that students dispose of any food or drinks before they enter the exhibits. If you are planning on eating lunch at another location after you leave the Center, your lunches must remain on the buses throughout the duration of your visit. If this is not possible, please leave all your lunches in marked boxes at our security office on Level 1 of the Center. The Ali Center does not have indoor lunch facilities; however, there is ample outdoor seating on the public plaza adjacent to the Center.

Exhibit Hints:

- We ask that chaperones stay with their student group at all times (including areas such as the Center Store and the Main Lobby).
- Please advise students to *walk* throughout the duration of their visit.
- Chaperones are responsible for making sure that students do not abuse the exhibits so that future visitors may enjoy them. In the interest of safety, any group that is seen abusing the exhibits may be asked to leave.
- In the *Train with Ali* interactive exhibit of Level 5, chaperones must supervise student safety at all times while participating in activities involving the heavy bag, speed bag, and boxing ring. Students may not use the boxing ring as a venue for fighting, gymnastics, kickboxing, etc. We recommend that small groups rotate through this interactive area while others experience the six core value pavilions.
- In the *Lighting the Way* Theater on Level 4, students may touch a torch, activating a camera behind the screen that makes the audience a part of the film presentation. Please advise students to refrain from pulling on, swinging from, or abusing the torches in any way.
- Your group is welcome to visit our retail store; however, we ask that chaperones accompany groups of 15 people (or less) at a time. This provides a manageable number of customers for staff to provide optimal customer service.