

Fort Caspar Museum

Fort Caspar Museum offers a variety of programs for students. While many of the activities are geared toward third- and fourth-grade students, a visit to the museum can meet a variety of standards for most grades. From site tours to discovery trunks and classroom connections, there are many resources available to you!

Site Tours

Fort Caspar Museum interprets the cultural history of Fort Caspar, the city of Casper and central Wyoming. Site visits include tours of the reconstructed fort buildings, Mormon Ferry, and Guinard Bridge; Museum Gallery Exploration; and other site features. The Museum Gallery features exhibits on prehistoric peoples, western emigrant trails, frontier army, 100 years of Casper history, the oil and energy industries, and cattle and sheep ranching.

Site tours and the Museum Gallery Exploration are led by museum staff. Prior to the visit, each teacher receives an "Educator's Guide" by e-mail. It includes information about the site tours, as well as pre- and post-visit activities.

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routine? Visit Fort Caspar Museum in the fall. The weather is better! Fewer groups visit in the fall, so you will have a great chance to visit during a time that works well for you!

Available: guided tours April 15-Oct. 15

Program Length: 1 1/2 to 2 hours

Fee: \$10 per group or \$.50 per student if less than 20; teachers, chaperones & bus drivers free; cash, check, credit card or LPOs accepted.

Classroom Connections

Break out of your classroom and into ours! Interactive, hands-on interdisciplinary programs complement a visit to the fort in the fall or spring. Current topics include Plains Indians, explorers, mountain men and pioneers. Students' favorite activities are "Dressed for Success," "Object Detective," "Art Analysis," "Junior Historian," and "Writing Perspectives."

Available: Oct. 15 - April 15

Program Length: Varies

Fee: \$10 per group or \$.50 per student if less than 20; teachers, chaperones & bus drivers free;

LPOs accepted. Limit 30 students.

Discovery Trunks

Discovery trunks allow you to bring history in a hands-on format into your classroom. Each trunk contains reproduction objects, audiovisual materials, books and activities that your students can see and touch. The Educator's Guide includes background information, lessons, activities and a bibliography. Topics include: Plains Indians, explorers, mountain men, pioneers, frontier army, and cowboys.

Available: All Year

Rental: One week, Friday - Thursday. May be checked out for more than one week depending on availability.

Fee: \$2 per trunk; cash, check, credit card or LPOs accepted

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