

Staff Rides/ Battlefield Tours



MUST PROVIDE OWN TRANSPORTATION

One of our Brandywine Battlefield Educators will guide your group to battlefield sites not included in the 52 acre park. The trip will take about 1.5 hours and will include 5 stops at:

- ◆ Kennett Meetinghouse
- ◆ Birmingham Meetinghouse
 - ◆ Birmingham Hill
 - ◆ Sandy Hollow
- ◆ 1704 Brinton House

Flat Rate: \$100

General Information:

- School tours are available Monday through Friday.
- Groups are limited to 60 but special arrangements can be made for larger groups.
- The minimum group size is 12.
- One adult chaperone is required for each 10 students. Required chaperones and teachers are not charged. Extra chaperones pay the student rate.
- All school reservations must be confirmed in writing.
- To ensure a great experience, it is important to arrive on time. If groups arrive late, the Battlefield reserves the right to adjust the program to accommodate the daily schedule.
- Bus or van drivers are expected to transport the students from the Visitors Center to the historic houses. Drivers may join tour groups at no charge.
- No headsets are allowed in the building.
- No eating, drinking, smoking, or gum chewing is permitted in the Visitors Center or historic houses.
- Eating facilities include outdoor picnic tables only. Please ask at the Reception Desk for trash bags to keep our picnic areas free from litter. Restrooms are available in the Visitor Center.
- The museum shop with educational toys and books is available to students with time permitting.
- Bringing siblings is not encouraged. If they attend, the usual student rate will be charged. Individuals requiring special assistance should call the Park in advance to discuss their needs.
- Group leaders should check in at the Reception Desk upon arrival for payment of fees and distribution of tour schedules.

More information: brandywinebattlefield.org

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Brandywine Battlefield offers a variety of programs that actively involve students in order to increase their knowledge of history while ensuring that the students have fun at the same time. Our programs are geared for specific age groups and are always presented by knowledgeable Brandywine Battlefield Educators dressed in period attire. The **standard visit** lasts approximately 2 or 3 hours and includes:

- ◆ An 18-minute video about the Battle of Brandywine
- ◆ Access to the Brandywine Battlefield Museum
- ◆ A tour of the Ring House (Washington's Headquarters)
- ◆ Your choice of 2 programs

Cost per student: \$6.50

Colonial Day Program



Featuring 8 different stations and more program choices

Cost per student: \$10.00

Available Programs

Programs geared toward Preschool-Grade 2

- ***"What's Old, What's New?"***: Students develop an understanding of George Washington and his times by comparing items from the 18th and 21st centuries.
- ***"The Dash to Birmingham"***: Students face obstacles that soldiers might have encountered during the battle.

General Programs

- ***"Revolutionary Soldier Dress-up"***: This program covers the causes and effects of the battle while a "volunteer soldier" is outfitted for the battle.
- ***"Quaker Girl Dress-up"***: A student volunteer is outfitted in 18th century Quaker women's attire while discussing what it meant to be a Quaker during this time period.
- ***"Read a Letter, Write a Letter"***: Students read firsthand accounts of battle events then write their own letters "home" using writing styles and tools of the 18th century.
- ***"Flags of the American Revolution"***: Students learn the purpose of flags, the history of Revolutionary War flags and how flags were made in the 18th century. Students will design and construct a flag for a specific Revolutionary War unit.
- ***"Early American Medicine –The Soldier's Experience"***: Students learn about medical procedures and their effectiveness when treating wounds of the 18th century soldier.
- ***"Load the Cannon!- Artillery in the American Revolution"***: Students learn the uses of Artillery and how it effected warfare in the 18th century. Students learn about the tasks and what it took to be a member of a cannon crew.

Available Programs

Advanced Level Programs

- ***"Leadership at Brandywine"***: Students venture into the minds of the major figures who fought at the Battle of Brandywine. Learn about their struggles, decisions, and how they ultimately affected the outcome of the Philadelphia Campaign and the rest of the Revolution.
- ***"Historical Analysis and Interpretation"***: Students in this program will dive deep into the actual study of history. Students will be given copies of original documents from this area at the time of the battle and analyze the documents in order to draw conclusions and prove a point.

Colonial Day Programs (only available with the Colonial Day Program package)

- ***"Take a Dance"***: Students get to experience 18th century dance with our Dance Master. Students will be instructed in the fine art and history of the dance. Teachers and Parents are invited to join.
- ***"Blacksmith"***: Our blacksmith will demonstrate the role of the "smithy" in the 18th century.
- ***"John the Carpenter"***: Our carpenter will exhibit the tools and the techniques required for 18th century woodworking.
- ***"18th Century Soldier Demonstration"***: This program highlights an ordinary soldier's uniform and equipment.

