

Great Smoky Mountains Heritage Center

Guidelines for Students

We want you to enjoy your visit to the Heritage Center. The following safety rules exist to ensure the safety of students and other visitors, as well as to protect the artifacts entrusted to us. Teachers and group leaders, please review these guidelines with your students before your arrival:

1. Students must be under the supervision of an adult member of your group at all times.
2. Food and drink are prohibited in all galleries.
3. Please dispose of trash in the proper containers and be tidy when using the restroom.
4. Please treat other visitors with respect. Take care not to block walkways or bump into other visitors.
5. Please do not climb on wooden rails or signs, and do not touch artifacts behind wooden rails, chains, or other barriers. This is for your safety, as well as the safety of the artifacts.
6. Please do not use flash photography inside the museum. You may take pictures without the flash inside the building. Flash pictures are allowed in the Historic Village.
7. Do not chew gum anywhere on the premises.
8. Please do not run inside the building or in the Historic Village.
9. The Historic Village is a collection of historic cabins and barns that are furnished with period antiques and machinery. Some of these buildings are hands-on classrooms, where students may touch the items in the cupboards, sit in the chairs, and lie on the beds. Please help us take care of these items.
 - A. Only one person may sit or lie on the bed at a time.
 - B. The stairwells in the cabins are locked for your safety. Please do not cross these barriers.
 - C. You may enter the pens in the cantilever barns, but please do not climb into the loft of either barn.
 - D. Again, please do not cross wooden rails or chain barriers in any building.
10. Please use the stairs and handrails when moving around in the amphitheater. Do not run or jump down the seating areas. Please stay off the stage.