

Museum of Science Overnight Information for Adults



Prior to Arrival

- Please read the *Survival Manual!*
- All participants must be pre-registered. If you have questions about fees or registration, call your organization or our office.
- The overnight program considers all adult participants to be Leaders responsible for supervising the children in their group.
- **All Leaders must be age 21 or older. Men and women may be chaperones at any overnight.**
- Leaders are not permitted to bring children who are not of the designated gender or age level to an overnight. Overnights are for students in grades 1 – 7 and their adult chaperones.
- We strongly recommend attendance at a Museum of Science Overnight Orientation for first time participants. Orientations will be held at the Museum of Science from 2:00 to 4:00 PM on Saturday: Oct 3, Nov 7, Jan 9, Feb 6, Mar 6, Apr 3, and May 1.
- Please notify the Museum if your group has any special needs.
- Know how to contact the parents of participants on the date of the overnight. The emergency phone number at the Museum of Science is 617-589-0200. This number is for emergencies only and is answered 24 hours a day.

Arrival and Departure

- **Arrival and registration is from 4:30 to 7:00 PM.** We accommodate individual arrivals at other times with advance notice. Upon arrival, please inform staff if you have plans to depart early.
- Groups using buses **must** notify the overnight program in advance.
- Enter the Museum through the special overnight entrance in the lowest level of the garage.
- The program officially ends at 11:00 AM and all gear must be packed by this time.
- Parking is available during your overnight in the Museum garage for a fee of \$5 from 4 PM until noon.

Meals

- An evening snack and a light breakfast are provided.
- **Dinner is not provided.** Participants may eat dinner before they arrive, bring food for dinner to eat in a designated picnic area, or purchase dinner here. Call 617-589-3180 for details and restaurant hours.

During Your Overnight

- **Supervise your group.** Children must be accompanied by an adult **at all times.**
- Participate in the overnight activities and have fun learning science.

Overnight Patches and Passes

- All participants receive an overnight patch which, new for the 2009-2010 season, are souvenirs for adults and youth and do not allow free admission.
- Coupons for free Exhibit Hall Admission will replace the need to bring the patch in, and will include adults in the free admission program. One pass per participant will be included in the group package.
- Coupons for a free return visit to the Planetarium will be included in the group package.

Cancellations

- The Museum of Science does not grant refunds. If you have questions about fees or registration please call your organization.

Dismissal Policy

- Anyone under the influence of, or in possession of, alcohol or drugs will be dismissed.
- Children not of the appropriate age or gender on a particular overnight will be dismissed.
- Inappropriate behavior including, but not limited to, consistently ignoring guidelines and *any* acts of aggression will be grounds for dismissal.

Liability

The Museum shall not be liable to any overnight participant, leader, or to any person whomsoever for any injury or damage to persons or property arising out of the use of the Museum facilities unless caused by the gross negligence of the Museum.