

L. C. Bates Museum
Natural History and Maine History Discovery Programs
Programs Meet Maine Learning Results

General Field Trip Planning Information

Guided Group Tours and Program

Many of our tours and programs are designed for a wide range of age groups. Tours and programs with the same name will be adapted to accommodate your classroom or group needs. Programs are available Monday to Saturday by appointment. Programs are presented for groups of up to 25 participants and we can usually accommodate three classes at one time. See **Museum Programs for a list of available programs.**

Programs offered:

3 Hour Discovery programs (These include a classroom program, tour and activity.)

1 Hour programs both in the museum and as outreach to your school organization

1 Hour focused or general tours

1 hour guided outdoor activities

Badge Programs for Girl Scouts and Brownies

Birthday Party Programs

Drop-in Programs (See Museum Calendar of Events)

To Schedule Your Group Visit

Call or email the L.C.Bates museum at 207-238-4250 or lcbates@gwh.org to plan and schedule your program or tour. . We will confirm availability on the phone or in a reply email.

Program Times

School Group Programs, Outdoor Activities, and Tours by appointment - Monday through Saturday

Payment Methods

Please bring your payment with you the day of your visit unless using previously arranged payment methods. **Cash, checks, and POs are accepted.** Please make checks out to the L.C Bates Museum. Please make payment in the gift shop prior to your program.

Cancellations

Please notify the Museum immediately by phone.

Parking

Free parking. Bus parking drop-off and pick-up is just behind the museum toward the Moody School building. Car parking is along the road behind the museum.

Entering the Museum

Please send an adult into the museum to be sure we know you have arrived. Bring your classes or groups to the front steps of the museum where we will greet your group and begin your programs and tours. No gum, drinks or food are permitted in the museum exhibition galleries or classroom.

Photography: To preserve our collections from light, and because so many people are taking photographs, photography is not permitted in the museum. Programs may not be taped on video or DVD.

Chaperones

Adult chaperones are not required, but we suggest you bring one chaperone for every 10 students. Chaperones should stay with their students at all times and be responsible for the safety and proper conduct of the group. One chaperone for every 5 children is free. Additional chaperones please pay the regular museum admission for adults \$2.50 or \$1.00 for youth or students.

Lunch options

We do not have a snack bar or dining facilities. Your group may eat on the picnic tables behind the museum, the front museum steps, or the lawn in front of the museum. During inclement weather, groups may eat in a space in the museum.

Museum Shop

The L.C. Bates Museum Shop offers many interesting and educational items that can spark curiosity and extend the learning experience. The items are selected because they reinforce program learning. Prices start at 50 cents. Many items are between \$1 and \$5.

Our Shop staff are specially trained to expedite this portion of your visit. Please have chaperones stay with students when visiting the Shop. (Teachers can pre-select a store item for each child, such as a mineral or fossil for \$2.00, that will be packaged for the class.)

For more information

Call L.C.Bates Museum at 207-238-4250 or check the Museum information on the Good Will-Hinckley website. GWH.org.

Please call the museum to discuss your special student or program needs or for information on the Maine Learning Result Addressed by a program.

The museum is open April to November, Wednesday through Saturday from 10:00am to 4:30pm, Sundays 1:00 to 4:30pm and at other times year round by appointment. Admission is \$2.50 per adult and \$1.00 for students and children under 18.

L. C. Bates Museum

**Good Will-Hinckley Rt. 201 (North off I-95 at exit 133) PO Box 159, Hinckley, ME
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