

Field Trip Planning Guide



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Welcome to the National Museum of Military Vehicles!

The National Museum of Military Vehicles (NMMV) is a world-class military history museum that celebrated the grand opening in May of 2022. Inside the 140,000 sq. foot museum, visitors will find nearly 500 fully restored military vehicles, artillery pieces, and aircraft dating from 1897 to the present with a current emphasis on the American experience in World War I, World War II, the Korean War, and the Vietnam War.

Our Mission

- To honor the service and sacrifice of our veterans and their families
- To educate the next generations on the history of American freedom
- To preserve and share historic military vehicles

Our staff is excited to bring history alive for your students through immersive and interactive exhibits. We enjoy customizing visits based on what you are teaching in your classroom. NMMV strives to reach students beyond history and social studies as we teach the history of military service.

For example...

Are you reading a historically significant novel that we can integrate into your tour?

Would you like to merge your STEM curriculum to reach beyond Social Studies with real-life scenarios found within our displays?

Does one of your students have a story to tell about a hero they know?

Let's start planning your field trip today!

Educational Facilities

We have facilities that can ensure you and your students have a successful field trip experience:

- **Classroom Space for seating up to 75 students.** We can provide multipurpose class delivery including the use of an LCD projector with a screen, microphones, and a Blu-ray player.
- The Museum has three main galleries including:
 - **The General George S. Patton Gallery** houses World War I artifacts and rotating exhibits.
 - **The General George C. Marshall Gallery** focuses on the American experience during World War II.
 - **The General Lewis "Chesty" Puller Gallery** focuses on the American experience during the wars in Korea and Vietnam.
 - **The Doris Miller Annex** focuses on the American Navy experience in World War II as well as field artillery of the Axis militaries, and 3 unique aircraft of the era. The Miller Annex also includes exhibits presenting War Crimes, injustices, and how those were defeated.

Educational Tours and Field Trips are limited to groups of no larger than 60 students. If your needs include larger groups please contact us tours@nmmv.org to discuss options.

Self-Guided Tours

Explore the museum as a class at your own pace. Chaperone supervision is required; we recommend 1 chaperone per 10 students for the best experience.

Guided Tours

Museum staff will guide you through the exhibits, answer questions, and assist with hands-on activities. Tours last approximately 90 minutes to two hours. Afterward, groups are welcome to explore the museum with chaperone supervision.

To ensure a wonderful experience, please take time to review these etiquette rules and chaperone roles with your group.

Museum Etiquette

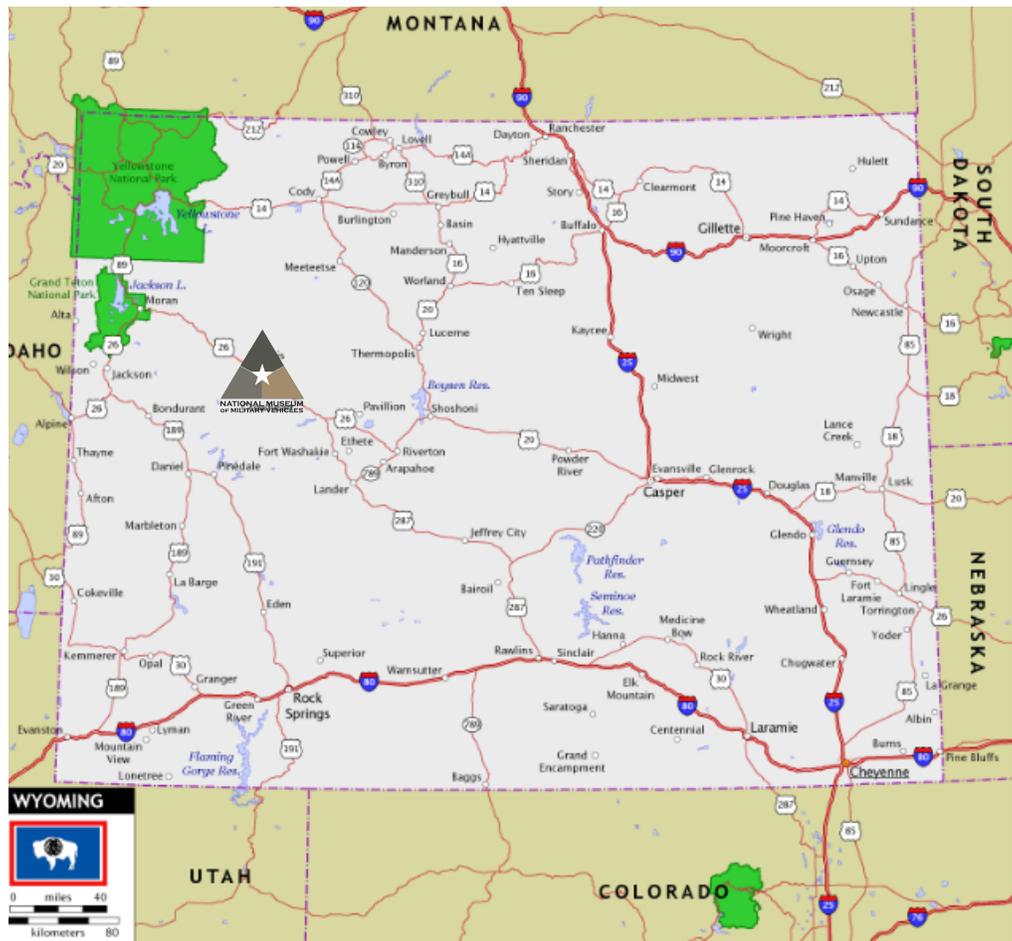
- Backpacks are not allowed in the Museum
- Respect all visitors, paying special attention to our guests using motorized wheelchairs.
- Walk, don't run.
- Unless invited by the tour facilitator, do not touch the exhibits.
- Raise your hand if you have questions
- Stay with your group
- Food and beverages are not allowed in the museum. Chewing gum is prohibited.

Chaperone Roles

- We recommend **1** chaperone for every **10** students
- Chaperones help students move through the Museum, follow Museum rules, and complete Museum activities. Students must stay in their supervised groups for their safety, the safety of the artifacts, and the safety of all other Museum patrons.
- The museum reserves the right to ask any member of the group to leave the tour due to safety concerns, disobeying rules, or being disrespectful.
- Students are to be accompanied by a chaperone at all times when in the gift store.
- If you or your students have questions or need help, ask your Education Director liaison.

Planning & Scheduling Your Visit

The Museum is located at 6419 Hwy 26, Dubois, WY 82513; about **8 miles** southeast of Dubois, Wyoming.



Tours need to be scheduled at a minimum of **two weeks** before the desired visit.

We encourage groups to book far in advance.

Fill out the form at www.nmmv.org to reserve your date.

After your program date and time have been requested, a curatorial department staff member will be in touch with you to confirm the details for your visit. **Your field trip is not confirmed until you have received a confirmation email.**

If you need to make any changes, require alternative dates or time, or have any questions, please email tours@nmmv.org.

The Day of Your Visit

- Arrive on time for your reservation. If you are running behind or need to reschedule, please contact us at (307) 455-3802 or tours@nmmv.org.
- Advise the bus driver(s) to drop off students **in front of the museum**. Buses can park behind the Wall of Reflection (the monument in front of the museum with the flags).
- The Director of Education will greet you at the front door.
 - For self-guided tours, our Director of Education will orient your group to the different galleries and check in throughout your time at the museum.
 - If you have planned a guided tour, wait for instructions from your museum tour guide.

Paying For Your Visit

One point of our mission statement is “To educate the next generations on the history of American freedom” and therefore our school field trips are free-of-charge.

Lunch

We offer limited inside seating for dining in our classroom.

- Lunch space in our classroom is only available by booking ahead.
- Outside eating space at picnic tables is also available on a first-come, first-served basis.
- At this time food is not available through the museum.

After Your Visit

The museum is dedicated to providing an educational experience for you and your group. After your visit we will send an email asking for your feedback. We would be grateful for your response!

Thank you for taking the time to review the field trip packet.

We look forward to seeing you soon!