



SCHOOL PROGRAMS Planning Guide

2021-22

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A Note To Teachers

At the Detroit Historical Society, we recognize that the last two school years have been incredibly challenging. Yet you have persevered and strengthened your commitment to ensuring that your students learn and are provided with the best resources you can offer.

As resilient as you are, this period has also been overwhelming, with many resources being made available to you and seemingly all at once. You want support. Museums are trusted resources, but sometimes we offer so much that the content can be difficult to parse.

Well, we heard you and we listened. This year, we have streamlined our experiences and divided them in a way that we hope helps you navigate and choose the content that works best for you and your learners. When it comes to history and social studies, we have you covered!

- The Detroit Historical Society Education Team

Some schools are eligible for financial assistance through our **Funding the Fun Program**. Please call **313.833.1801** to find out if your group qualifies. Funds are limited and offered on a first come, first served basis.



Virtual Offerings

The Detroit Historical Society's LIVE virtual tours are 60-minute interactive and participatory experiences that bring your favorite tours digitally into your classroom.

Our engaging docents take students on a journey through time. Whether discovering the Indigenous communities that first settled our region or the industrialists who revolutionized Detroit (and the world), learners will be able to relate what they learn on their tour to what you are teaching in the classroom.

All prices include up to 40 students.

TOUR	Historical Perspectives (3rd-8th grade)	Maritime History (3rd-12th grade)	Detroit 67: Perspectives (8th-12th grade)
Detroit River Discovery \$250	Live virtual HP tour plus two lesson plans and additional class aids. These can be specifically aligned to your social studies standard.	Live virtual Maritime History tour plus two lesson plans and additional class aids. These can be specifically aligned to your social studies standard.	Live virtual D67 tour plus two lesson plans and additional class aids. These can be specifically aligned to the social studies/ELA standards your class is covering.
Lake Erie Awesome \$400	Detroit River Discovery offerings plus 30-minute "Ask a Curator/Educator" session, which will build on concepts so that students will gain both broad and in-depth perspectives on the topics presented.	Detroit River Discovery offerings plus a 30-minute "Ask the Curator" session, which will build on concepts so that students will gain both broad and in-depth perspectives on the topics presented.	Detroit River Discovery offerings plus a 30-minute "Ask the Curator" session, which will build on concepts so that students will gain both broad and in-depth perspectives on the topics presented.
Lake Michigan Magnificent \$550	All previous offerings plus a virtual StoryLiving experience: a 60-minute dramatized journey that features noted storytellers that bring the past to life. Themes can include the Underground Railroad or the Great Migration.	Includes Getting' Around the Great Lakes: an interactive workshop on America's first superhighway. Explore the diverse geography of the Great Lakes and spatial concepts that are readily transferable to other geographical lessons.	All previous offerings plus a facilitated Oral History Project for your class.



Learn more and register at detroithistorical.org

In-Person Experiences

TOURS

Museum educators lead students through an interactive tour of key museum exhibits at the Detroit Historical Museum and Dossin Great Lakes Museum. The tours have been designed to meet Grade Level Content Expectations and Common Core Standards for grades 3 – 12, but our tour guides can accommodate students at all grade levels.

Historical Perspectives

Students will explore over 300 years of the city's development while immersing themselves in the understanding of the city's landscape, the people who built it, and the growth we continue to see today.

TrebleMakers

From ragtime to rap, from McKinney to Motown, students will listen and dance their way through the social, economic and political history of Detroit and the United States while meeting the figures who shaped the soundscape of our country.

Detroit 67: Perspectives

During this 90-minute facilitated experience of the *Detroit 67: Perspectives* exhibition, students will take part in discussions surrounding the significant economic, social and cultural factors that led to the turbulent summer of 1967.

Maritime History

On this guided tour of the Dossin Great Lakes Museum, students will discover Detroit's connection to the Great Lakes from the building of Fort Pontchartrain du Detroit to the sinking of the *Edmund Fitzgerald*.

Times: Wednesday–Friday, 10–11:30 a.m. or 12:30–2 p.m.

Cost: \$6 person. For every 10 students, 1 teacher/chaperone is free!

CDC guidelines: Tour limits will vary depending on the recommendations of our national and local health experts and our commitment to keep every visitor safe. All tour attendees, whether or not they are vaccinated, must wear a mask.

StoryLiving

Bring history to life by booking a StoryLiving program at the Detroit Historical Museum or in the comfort of your classroom. In these interactive programs, a professional storyteller shares Detroit history with your students using drama, group pantomime, role playing, songs and creative problem-solving.

Underground Railroad (Recommended for 3rd grade)

The Great Migration (Recommended for 4th & 5th grade)

Capacity: Maximum 120 students

Cost: \$400

CDC guidelines: Maximum group sizes will vary depending on the recommendations of our local and national health experts and our commitment to keeping our attendees and team members safe. Please contact our team directly for the most up-to-date information.

In-Person Experiences

Homeschool Days

Every quarter, families can take a fantastic tour, usually only offered as a group tour, or participate in special workshops. Pre-registration is required at detroithistorical.org.

Tours: The First Thursday in November, February & May at the Detroit Historical Museum

Workshop: Every second Friday in November, February & May at the Dossin Great Lakes Museum

Time: 10:00 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

Cost: \$10 per person (includes admission and programming for all participants)

Michigan History Day

Michigan History Day®, an educational program of the Historical Society of Michigan, is a year-long educational program that encourages students to explore local, state, national, and world history. Winners of the state level Michigan History Day competition in the Junior and Senior categories move on to compete in National History Day in College Park, Maryland.



This year's theme is *Debate & Diplomacy in History: Successes, Failures, Consequences*. Your topic may focus on any geographic area, historical period, event, group, or individual, but it must relate back to the annual theme. Visit hsmichigan.org to learn more and get involved. The Detroit Historical Society is excited to host District 10 again in 2022!

For more information or to sign your class up, contact malikap@detroithistorical.org.

History Tools You Can Use!

Educator Resource Portal

Updated in 2020 and 2021 to align with recent updates to Michigan Social Studies curriculum, this digital destination provides teachers with resources that bring Detroit and regional history into the classroom. Look under "Learning Resources" for free curriculum materials, lesson plans, presentations and other tools that engage students of all ages in history. The portal also features information on classroom outreach and professional development opportunities.

Visit detroithistorical.org/educator-portal to access these new resources developed just for you! The Educator Portal is made possible in part by a grant from the Michigan Humanities Council, an affiliate of the National Endowment of the Humanities.

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