

Learning In Motion

Education Programs at the Railroad Museum of Pennsylvania



Information, Please

Please contact a Museum educator, ext 3025 or ext 3022, for program information, pricing and reservations. Our complete education programs catalogue and additional student and teacher resources are available on the Museum's web site. Educators: please contact us about a Museum preview pass.



RAILROAD MUSEUM OF PENNSYLVANIA

Real Trains. Real History. Real Excitement.

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Welcome to the Railroad Museum of Pennsylvania!



Students

Learn about America's transportation heritage through the use of primary sources, vintage vehicles and artifacts from the Railroad Museum's world-class collection. A variety of guided walking tours and workshops offer interactive experiences for students in the preschool through secondary levels. Students employ critical thinking and problem solving skills in programs like:

- Working on the Railroad
- The Evolution of Locomotion
- Trailways, Railways & Roadways
- Wrecks & Remedies
- The Railroaders

We are more than just a history museum. Our education programs satisfy not only specific Pennsylvania academic standards in history, but also in math, science, language arts, geography, economics and the arts, among others.

Teachers

Learn some easy, creative and effective ways to integrate transportation history and technology into your lessons. Workshops for teachers include samples of our hands-on education programs, behind-the-scenes Museum tours and interactive simulations.



Stewart Junction

Discover something exciting for railroaders of all ages in Stewart Junction railway education center, including many fun and challenging interactive exhibits relating to Pennsylvania's fascinating railroad history! Stewart Junction is located in a 1915-era freight station and features delightful:

- Hands-On Simulations
- Live Steam Demonstrations
- Operating Telegraph
- Books and DVDs
- Push Button Model Train Displays
- LEGO, K'NEX and Duplo Building Zones

Barons & Builders Day Camp

Children learn new skills, have fun and make friends during a five-day summer day camp for ages 9 & 10 and ages 11 & 12. Explore railroad history through hands-on demonstrations, arts and crafts, model train building, special behind-the-scenes tours, railroad-themed games and a field trip by train. Reservations are accepted beginning in the spring for the limited number of spaces available.

Scouts & Youth Groups

The Railroad Museum of Pennsylvania is the perfect setting for one-day or half-day workshops where scouts and other youth groups can fulfill requirements toward their badges and ranks. Activities include hands-on interactions with railroad artifacts, the High Iron Challenge railroad simulation, a railroad car/railroad technology tour and a scavenger hunt. Arrangements also may be made to take a ride on the Strasburg Rail Road (separate fees apply). Space is very limited.

Distance Learning

The Railroad Museum's state-of-the-art video conferencing combines scale models, digital and still photos and other visual materials to address specific railroad-related themes, including safety, art and advertising, steam locomotion, freight trains, passenger travel and pioneer railroading, just to name a few.

On The Road

Groups of youngsters will be interested in Working on the Railroad, which uses a portable model train layout and various railroad artifacts to bring the action of railroading into the classroom, or other group setting.

Does your group need a guest speaker for a meeting or dinner? We can give one of several different audiovisual presentations about the history of Pennsylvania's railroads and the world-class Railroad Museum of Pennsylvania.

Educational Tours

Guided, educational tours for (non school group) adults and children may be arranged for your group's enjoyment. Take a nostalgic look back into our nation's history as you experience the highlights of the Railroad Museum's premier collection of amazing, and authentic, locomotives and railroad cars.

Volunteers

Education volunteers are always welcome. Training is provided; scheduling is flexible. A background in railroading is not necessary. Please contact the Museum volunteer/program coordinator, ext 3009, today about the opportunities available.

