

SCHOOL GROUPS: KNOW BEFORE YOU GO!

BOOKING QUESTIONS

Reach out to Kristy.Hoskins@ky.gov with any questions regarding your trip.

Need to change your date? Add additional guests? No problem! You can also call 859-259-4200 for help.

We know planning a field trip is a lot of work, but we've got you covered. If there are any shows or exhibits you want to see, let us know so we can add them to your schedule.



ARRIVAL

A map with bus drop off instructions will be provided. Students are dropped off at the main gate in the visitor center lot. A restroom is located at the gate house that your students can use.

Students gather at the field trip sign outside while I teacher checks in the group.

KHP Staff will review park rules before you head to the first destination on your schedule.

Lunches can be stored inside the Visitor Center in the right side office area.



SCHEDULES

Each group will follow a personalized schedule and map. It will be up to you to print these for your teachers and chaperones.

Large groups are split into 2-3 teams, and will need to know their team ahead of your visit. (A, B or C)

Our barn staff are expecting your groups at the times on your schedules, so please stick to them as closely as possible.



We recommend bringing bag lunch that does not require tables to comfortably eat.

Your lunch location will be marked on your map with a star. Lunch is held outdoors.

The concrete planter boxes that line our dressage complex make great seating and are in the shade. They are conveniently located in the center of the park near restrooms.



HELPFUL INFO

Mounted Police are in the park at all times and can be reached at 859-509-1450

AED Locations are marked on your map. For assistance, please call the number above.

Lost an item in the park? Call 859-259-4200 to reach lost and found.

Upon request, wheelchairs and other accommodations may be available.





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EXPLORING THE PARK

Treat the Horse Park grounds, buildings, and barns like a library. We have other guests in the park that are enjoying their day. Be respectful!

Our horses aren't shy, but they can get scared when there are loud noises. You have the best chance of petting a horse if you are quiet and calm.

Watch where you step! Our Mounted Police Officers patrol the grounds on horseback, and sometimes our horses leave their mark on the sidewalks.



MEETING THE HORSES

When approaching the horses, take your time. They like to know who is petting them, so don't be afraid to say hello!

Pet the horses on their neck, back, and shoulders. Horses have very sensitive faces and do not like to be touched on their nose or mouth.

Sometimes, our horses are outside of their stalls with a staff member. Be sure to ask permission before you approach, and stay at least 6' away from the horses' tails.

While our horses are used to attention, they are still capable of kicking and biting. Always use caution around live animals. Please avoid feeding the horses.



MUSEUM ETIQUETTE

No climbing on carriages or statues, running, or loud voices in the museum.

Food and drinks are not permitted in the museum lobby or exhibits.

Museums contain delicate items that are on loan. We have a lot of neat items on display, but they need to be enjoyed with eyes only unless signage says otherwise.

Our museum offers a scavenger hunt! Be sure to ask at the docent desk if you'd like to participate. There are also coloring activities in the lobby.



VISITOR CENTER

Did you know the Visitor Center plays short films about horses and the Horse Park? Movies play on loop every 15 minutes.

The Horse Park Gift Shop is located in the Visitor Center. We offer snacks, souvenirs, and even Breyer Horses so you can bring your own horse home!

Lost an item in the park? It will end up in the Visitor Center if found.

Restrooms and water refill stations are available inside.

