



## The Hermitage Museum

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### *Rules for Scout Group Visits*

- Scouts should dress for the weather, as some programs involve walking outdoors. Gardening programs require sneakers, garden gloves and appropriate clothes.
- Plan to arrive 10 minutes before the start of your program. If you arrive late, your program may be shortened accordingly. If you anticipate a delay, or must cancel on the day of the trip, please call **201-445-8311 ext. 103**.
- Upon arrival, leaders should gather scouts and parents at the Visitor Center. One leader should report the exact number of scouts and adults in the group. Hermitage staff will then direct you to the proper area. **Payment is due at this time. One scout leader should have a prepared check, or have collected exact cash prior to start time.**
- It may be necessary to split a large group into two or more sections. We will arrange this with you in advance if possible. Please have a plan to divide your group into smaller, similarly sized groups prior to visiting.
- Each scout group should have at least one adult chaperone per 5 scouts. Older scouts who participate do not qualify as adult chaperones.
- Scout leaders and adult chaperones must supervise and control scouts during the entire program. **Programs will be stopped and no refund will be given if scout behavior becomes disruptive or unsafe.** Hermitage staff decisions on this matter are final.
- No food, drink, gum or candy allowed outside of the lunchroom area. Snacks should be eaten prior to arrival. Absolutely **no photography**, including cell phones, allowed in the historic house. Photos may be taken on the grounds and in the classroom. **Cell phones should be muted and only used, if necessary, outside of the historic house and education rooms. Scouts should not have cell phones.**
- The gift shop is not open to scout groups, so children do not need money.
- Please note that due to the educational objectives of our various programs, your group may not tour all of the interpretive spaces.

Please contact me with any questions or concerns about your visit. Leave a time and number/email where you can be reached. Additional information can be found on our website, [www.thehermitage.org](http://www.thehermitage.org). We look forward to having your scout group visit the Hermitage!