

CONTACT THE EDUCATION OFFICE AT 804.342.9652 OR CBOOMER@VAHISTORICAL.ORG. OFFICE HOURS ARE MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY 8 AM – 4 PM.

SCHEDULE A TOUR ONLINE AT WWW.VAHISTORICAL.ORG

We ask that group tours be scheduled at least three weeks in advance. We suggest making reservations further in advance for tours in April and May, as these months fill up quickly. Tours are scheduled for 9 AM until 3 PM. Please select one tour or program per visit.

ADMISSION

Group Rates (10 or more):
 Student: \$2 per student
 Adult: \$3 (One adult per ten students will be admitted at no charge)



Please call to find out if your school qualifies for the Youth Education Fund scholarship.

PAYMENT

Unless other arrangements have been made, payment is due upon arrival at the main desk.

PRE-TOUR MATERIALS

The Story of Virginia Teachers Guide is available at www.vahistorical.org/education/resources.htm

LATE ARRIVALS

Although we make every effort to be flexible with our guided tours, your visit may be abbreviated if you are late. If you anticipate being late, please call the main desk at 804.342.9671.

MUSEUM MANNERS

A group leader/chaperone guide will be mailed to you. To ensure that your students have an opportunity to learn, please review museum rules before your arrival.

LUNCH SUGGESTIONS

Picnic tables are available on the grounds of the VHS. To preserve the picnic site for others, we request that you bring trash bags for cleanup.

MUSEUM SHOP

The museum shop specializes in books, prints, jewelry, postcards, posters, and toys focusing on Virginia history. Please allow extra time for shopping. History bags are available for \$1 each for your group. Please call the museum shop at 804.342.9671 to reserve your history bags.

directions and parking

THE VIRGINIA HISTORICAL SOCIETY IS LOCATED IN RICHMOND AT 428 NORTH BOULEVARD, THE CORNER OF KENSINGTON AND BOULEVARD.

DIRECTIONS FROM THE NORTH OR WEST OF RICHMOND:

From I-95 South/I-64 East take EXIT 78 (the Boulevard). Turn right at the end of the ramp on to the Boulevard. Head south on the Boulevard (1.4 miles), following signs to the VHS.

DIRECTIONS FROM THE SOUTH OR EAST:

From I-64 West, merge onto I-95 North and take EXIT 78 (the Boulevard). Take a left at the end of the ramp and a right at the stoplight onto Robin Hood Road. Take a left onto the Boulevard at the next stoplight. Head south on the Boulevard (1.4 miles), following signs to the VHS.

PARKING

The entrance for buses is located on Kensington. Please unload students at main entrance. There is free parking for buses in the rear of building.

MAILING ADDRESS

P.O. Box 7311 • Richmond, Virginia 23221-0311

THE VIRGINIA HISTORICAL SOCIETY IS HANDICAPPED ACCESSIBLE.



THE FOLLOWING SUPPORTERS HAVE GENEROUSLY DONATED TO THE VHS YOUTH EDUCATION FUND AND STATEWIDE EDUCATIONAL OUTREACH:

Chesterfield County Public Schools • City of Hopewell • City of Petersburg • Henrico County Public Schools • Maymere Foundation • The M&M/Mars Education Fund • Richmond Kiwanis Foundation • Rotary Club • The J. Edwin Treakle Foundation, Inc. • Virginia Council of the Social Studies • Virginia Society for History Teachers • Anonymous

The education department of the Virginia Historical Society serves teachers, students, and adults through museum and outreach programs that include tours, workshops, classroom presentations, conferences, lectures, and teachers institutes.

Educational Programs & SOL Tours

VIRGINIA HISTORICAL SOCIETY



THE MISSION OF THE VIRGINIA HISTORICAL SOCIETY IS TO COLLECT, PRESERVE, AND INTERPRET THE COMMONWEALTH'S PAST FOR THE EDUCATION AND ENJOYMENT OF PRESENT AND FUTURE GENERATIONS.



exhibition tours • hands-on history programs • outreach programs



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SOL TOURS AND PROGRAMS

60–90 MINUTE PROGRAMS

THE STORY OF VIRGINIA, AN AMERICAN EXPERIENCE

Tours of this award-winning exhibition are tailored to meet the requirements of grade-specific SOLs. Choose a comprehensive tour of the exhibition, or treat a topic in more depth. Either option allows students to explore the triumphs and tragedies of the history of the commonwealth and the nation.

CHOOSE A TOUR



From Native American Virginia to the Present (MAXIMUM 75 STUDENTS)



From Native American Virginia to (or through) the Civil War (MAXIMUM 50 STUDENTS)



From the Civil War through the Twentieth Century (MAXIMUM 50 STUDENTS)



Grade-Specific Tours of *The Story of Virginia* can be designed for each grade level with special emphasis on African American history, women's history, government, economics, or primary sources. (MAXIMUM 50 STUDENTS)



Solving History's Mysteries

Explore archaeology and historic architecture in the Virginia Department of Historic Resources' exciting discovery lab. (MAXIMUM 30 STUDENTS)



Tours of Temporary Exhibitions

For a listing of current exhibitions, please visit our web site, www.vahistorical.org. (MAXIMUM 30 STUDENTS)



Virginians at Work

Objects, photographs, oral histories, manuscripts, and multimedia stations help tell the story of how people have made a living and why jobs in Virginia have changed. (MAXIMUM 25 STUDENTS)

HANDS-ON HISTORY PROGRAMS

60 MINUTE PROGRAMS (MAXIMUM 30 STUDENTS, K–5TH GRADE)

Our “History Boxes” contain reproductions of artifacts, diaries, letters, documents, and photographs found in *The Story of Virginia, an American Experience*.

CHOOSE A PROGRAM



Pocahontas and the Powhatan Indians

Students will learn about the culture of the Powhatan and the various roles played by women, men, and children in their society. The use of hands-on reproductions crafted by Mattaponi Indians help students gain a greater understanding of Virginia's original inhabitants.



Virginia and the Westward Movement

This program examines the nineteenth-century movement of Virginians to the West and their contributions to settling the American frontier. Using reproductions of objects that might have been found on a settler's Conestoga wagon, students interpret the great migration from Virginia in the decades before the Civil War.



The Civil War Soldier: A Common Man

Students will explore the everyday experience of a Civil War soldier, focusing on such aspects of camp life as clothing, food, and letters from home. From the perspective of those who fought in the terrible conflict, students will gain insight into the war and its consequences.



The African American Experience

This program examines the African American experience in Virginia from the early seventeenth century through emancipation. Focusing on African cultural traditions like music, family celebrations, and foodways, students will learn some of the many African and African American responses to slavery.



Teaching with Photographs

Using turn-of-the-century photographs, this program is designed to allow students to examine changes in Virginia's society and politics. Students will explore context clues from these primary source photographs to develop an awareness of the changes that occurred across the commonwealth during the early 1900s.

OUTREACH PROGRAMS FOR CLASSROOMS

45–60 MINUTE PROGRAMS (MAXIMUM 30 STUDENTS)

The VHS is proud to offer a variety of outreach education programs for your students. These presentations are delivered in a hands-on fashion using artifact reproductions. We welcome and encourage student/teacher participation. Each program is creatively designed around the Virginia SOLs.



CHOOSE A PROGRAM (SEE DESCRIPTIONS AT LEFT)

- Pocahontas and the Powhatan Nation
- Virginia and the Westward Movement
- The Civil War Soldier: A Common Man
- The Story of Virginia: An African American Experience
- Virginia at the Turn of the Twentieth Century: Teaching with Photographs
- **NEW!** The Revolution

HOW TO SCHEDULE AN OUTREACH PROGRAM

We conduct up to four presentations a day for groups/classes of no more than 30 students. For more information, or to schedule outreach programs, please call 804.342.9652 or email outreach@vahistorical.org.

An online reservation form is available at: www.vahistorical.org

