

FIELD TRIP PLANNING

NATIONAL NAVAL AVIATION MUSEUM DRIVING DIRECTIONS: 1878 SOUTH BLUE ANGEL PARKWAY PENSACOLA, FL. 32508

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Field Trip Planning Introduction

The National Naval Aviation Museum located aboard the Naval Air Station, Pensacola, Florida, has so much to offer. It is one of the world's largest naval aviation museums with 350,000 square feet of exhibit space indoors and 37 acres outdoors.

The National Naval Aviation Museum brings the science of flight to life with the Flight to Excellence Program. The program achieves this by incorporating handson educational exhibits, Giant Screen Theater films, simulator rides, and resources that are provided for all Pre-K through 12th-grade groups. These educational tools are designed to assist educators, parents, and group leaders in maximizing the Museum's educational resources in history, science, technology, and mathematics. In addition to serving the public, private and homeschool students, we encourage participation by Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, church groups, YMCA, JROTC, Big Brothers/Big Sisters, etc. in enjoying the adventure.

How to Make a Reservation

To make your reservation, please contact Gloria Thompson at 850-308-8962 on weekdays between 7:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. You may also e-mail inquiries to gthompson@navalaviationmuseum.org.

For every ten students, one chaperone is required and must always remain with their group. These chaperones will receive free admission to the attractions they are attending with their students. Any additional adults will pay the school rate for those attractions.

Please arrive at least 20 minutes before show time. The Giant Screen films will not be delayed for any reason, and late entries are not permitted for safety reason.

Giant Screen Theater Films

- The Magic of Flight: Showtimes: 10:30 am, 1:00 pm & 4:00 pm Fly with the Blues and experience the thrill of cruising the skies at Mach speed. Featuring cutting edge aerial photography, this is the story of human potential and the importance of training and performance. Narrated by Tom Selleck.
- **Apollo 11: First Steps Edition**: Showtimes: 12:00 pm & 2:30 pm This documentary is a thrilling cinematic experience showcasing the real-life moments of the first lunar landing. With never-before-seen 70mm footage and a trove of newly discovered audio recordings, the filmmakers reconstruct the exciting final moments of preparation, liftoff, landing, and return of this historic mission.

• Aircraft Carrier: Showtimes 9:30 am, 10:00 am, 11:30 am, 2:00 pm & 3:30 pm. The mission to protect and defend the world's oceans has become far more complex and challenging in recent years, and naval aviation has become increasingly vital to success. One of the greatest engineering feats in history, the modern U.S. nuclear carrier is a masterpiece of technology. With RIMPAC, the world's largest and most comprehensive international maritime training exercise, find yourself aboard the carrier with 5,000 highly skilled personnel conducting flight operations amid simulated war exercises.

Simulators

Motion-Based Simulator: Prices: \$5.00 per student without film and \$4.00 with the film. This new and improved simulator provides a five-minute, multi-sensory experience that combines a movie-like audiovisual presentation using a high-definition projection screen and surrounds sound, with the motion of the ride compartment. The fully enclosed simulator capsule, which accommodates up to 15 passengers, can move in six directions, allowing you to experience horizontal rolls, longitudinal pitches, and vertical climbs.

There are two different rides you may choose from in this flight simulator. In the Blue Angels Simulation, riders experience flight in a Navy F/A-18 Hornet, including high-performance turns and maneuvers. Alternatively, in the Desert Storm Simulation, you can take off from an aircraft carrier and do battle in the Iraqi desert.

MaxFlight Simulators: Price: \$20.00 for two people. Ready for takeoff! We have two state-of-the-art MaxFlight Simulators. Combined with patented, fully interactive 360° pitch and roll technology, these high-definition simulators recreate the sensation of air-to-air combat and stunt flying—and all under your control! Both kids and adults have agreed that this is one of the most exciting ways to learn about aviation.

4D Blue Angel Theater: Price: \$6.00 without film, \$5.00 with film The newest simulator, located in Hangar Bay One, allows groups to experience exciting, action-packed aerial maneuvers with the Blue Angels: not only in 3D, but with simulated movements such as tilt, longitudinal pitch, vertical climb, and wind.

Apollo 11 Virtual Reality: Price: \$10.00

Climb aboard the Apollo 11 rocket and hold on tight as you experience the five-minute historic launch through the eyes of those who lived through it. Seats will shake and pitch as you are hurled into space. Look around and witness the earth getting smaller and the stars becoming brighter as you travel through space toward the moon. After landing on the moon, you will endure the heat, vibrations, and shaking as you return into the earth's atmosphere. The Apollo 11 VR experience will educate you and leave you gasping for air.

Payments

Payment for the entire group may be made with cash, check (payable to Foundation Museum Support Company (FMSC)) or credit card (Visa or Mastercard). Purchase Orders cannot be accepted unless they have been pre-approved by the Director of Visitor Attractions. Any pre-payments made are not refundable.

Lunches

No food or drink is permitted in the museum. There are limited tables available in the designated picnic areas: one is located across from the Cubi Bar Café, and the other is next to Hangar Bay One, both shaded by oak trees. Tables are the first come first served. Please clean up after eating by utilizing trash cans in the designated areas. In case of rain, students may eat aboard your bus.

Field Trip Policies

- Buses should use Blue Angel Parkway to enter the West Gate of the Naval Air Station Pensacola.
- Upon arrival, Visitor Attractions staff will meet you at the side entrance of the Museum. It is there on the sidewalk that buses load and unloads passengers. The driver will be directed to the designated bus parking area.
- Everyone 16 years and older must show a photo ID for security check.
- No backpacks allowed in the Museum.
- No food, candy, or drinks allowed in the Museum except in the Concessions area.
- Groups should be ready to enter the Giant Screen Theater 20 minutes before show time
- Lunches may be eaten in the outdoor facilities. In case of rain, the student may eat aboard the bus.
- Students must be supervised at all times by an adult chaperone. One adult per 10 students is required.
- Only one group of 10 students is allowed in the Flight Deck Store at a time and must have a chaperone with them.
- Due to other tours and official ceremonies taking place in the Museum, groups are asked to keep the volume at a minimum using their indoor voices.
- No running in the Museum.
- The elevators are for those in need of them. Do not allow students to play in the elevators. Please use the stairs.