



# ROSICRUCIAN EGYPTIAN MUSEUM

## Dear Group Leaders,

We are thrilled to welcome you and your Field Archaeologists (students) to the Rosicrucian Egyptian Museum! To ensure a smooth and enriching experience, please review the following details carefully.

## Planning for your Expedition

We offer extensive Educator Resources in English and Spanish, such as lesson plans with classroom activities, interactive maps, a timeline of ancient Egypt, an introduction to the deities in ancient Egypt, educational videos, and much more located here:

<https://www.egyptianmuseum.org/for-educators>

Extensive educator resources in Spanish – here:

<https://es.egyptianmuseum.org/for-educators>

## Arrival Information

- **Location:** Please drop off Field Archaeologists (students) and Expedition Leaders (chaperones) at the designated passenger unloading zone at the front of the museum.
  - **Address:** 1660 Park Ave, San Jose, CA 95126
- **Early Arrival:** If your group arrives more than 15 minutes early, you are welcome and encouraged to wait for your entry time in Rosicrucian Park. Please do not obstruct the entrance to the museum for other guests.
- **Check-In:** Upon arrival, group leaders should please visit the museum's front desk to check in. Please bring your group's QR code that can be found on your booking confirmation.
- **Late Arrivals:** Unfortunately, late arrivals will have access only to the remaining time available in their scheduled entry time due to our museum capacity limits.
- **Restrooms:** Restrooms are located inside the museum. Groups are able to use the restrooms before their Expedition begins in groups of four with an Expedition Leader.
- **Bus Location:** Buses may park on Naglee Avenue while they are waiting for your group, this is free street parking.

## Behavior Expectations

The Rosicrucian Egyptian Museum is a sanctuary for learning and exploration. To ensure a positive experience for all, please adhere to the following guidelines:

- **Stay Together:** Field Archaeologists (students) must stay with their Expedition Leader (chaperone) at all times, whether inside the museum or outside in Rosicrucian Park.
- **Be Respectful:** Speak softly and walk gently through the museum. Running or jumping could cause an irreplaceable artifact to fall over and be damaged. This is also good training for your Field Archaeologists for expected behavior in any museum.
- **Stairway Etiquette:** Please exercise utmost caution on the stairs, walking gently to minimize vibrations and please no running on the stairs for personal safety reasons.
- **Preserve and Respect:** Do not touch the glass, exhibits, or statues. Maintain a distance of at least one foot from all the exhibits.
- **Photography:** Cameras are welcome, but flash photography is not allowed. It causes the colors of the ancient artifacts to fade.
- **No Food or Drinks:** Eating and drinking are not permitted inside the museum. Designated eating areas are available in Rosicrucian Park.
- **Respect Other Guests:** Whether inside the museum or in Rosicrucian Park, please be courteous and respectful to other guests.
- **Backpacks:** Backpacks are not allowed in the museum, except for the Group Leader, since you may want to carry a first aid kit and your group's emergency information. We suggest that you leave all other backpacks in your vehicle or you are welcome to store your backpacks outside the museum's main entrance, behind the large pillars.

## Expedition Information

- **Meeting Point:** Please assemble your group at the front of the museum, to the right of the main entrance, 10 minutes before your entry time.
- **Introduction:** Before your group's entry, our staff will provide a welcome presentation at the front of the museum to set the context for your Expedition, to communicate behavior norms and expectations, and to answer questions that your group might have before entering the museum.
- **Expedition Teams:** Before entering, please divide your group into Expedition Teams, each led by an Expedition Leader (adult chaperone). These groups should have one Expedition Leader for every seven Field Archaeologists (students). We encourage you to provide your Expedition Leaders with a copy of our Expedition Leader Guide to make the most of your time in the museum.
- **Gift Shop:** We do not have a gift shop at the museum.
- **Museum Passports:** Complimentary Museum Passports will be provided at the front desk to your group upon request. They are also available here: <https://egyptianmuseum.org/uploads/PDFs/Museum%20Passport.pdf>
- **Lost and Found:** Check at the front desk or please contact us at [info@egyptianmuseum.org](mailto:info@egyptianmuseum.org) for lost items.

## Daily Schedule

Group	Arrival/Check-in	Welcome	Entry Window	90 Minute Museum Expedition
A	9:40 am-10:00 am	9:50 am	10:00 am - 10:15 am	10:00 am -11:30 AM
B	10:25 am-10:45 am	10:35 am	10:45 am - 11:00 am	10:45 am -12:15 pm
C	11:10 am-11:30 am	11:20 am	11:30 am - 11:45 am	11:30 am -1:00 pm
D	11:55 am-12:15 pm	12:05 pm	12:15 pm - 12:30 pm	12:15 pm -1:45 pm
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F	1:25 pm -1:45 pm	1:35 pm	1:45 pm - 2:00 pm	1:45 pm -3:15 pm
G	2:10 pm - 2:30 pm	2:20 pm	2:30 pm - 2:45 pm	2:30 pm - 4:00 pm
H	2:55 pm -3:15 pm	3:05 pm	3:15 pm - 3:30 pm	3:15 pm - 4:45 pm

## Galleries and Exhibits

- **Gallery A:** Learn about the Egyptian Afterlife and Time Periods of Ancient Egypt.
- **Gallery B:** Explore Daily Life in ancient Egypt and Mesopotamia.
- **Gallery C:** Dedicated to the Myths and Rulers of ancient Egypt.
- **Gallery D:** Focuses on polytheism, monotheism, and the first pyramid of Egypt.
- **Additional Areas:** Includes the Senet Club, Alchemy Exhibit, and Rock Cut Tomb.

To prepare for your expedition, you are welcome to go on a virtual tour of the museum here:  
<https://egyptianmuseum.org/museum-gallery-guide>

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## Lunch Information

- **Lunches:** We do not have the ability or capacity to store lunches. Please store lunches on your buses, in your vehicles ,or in student's backpacks left at the front of the museum.
- **Designated Eating Areas:** You are welcome to have lunch in Rosicrucian Park. The best places to eat are by the Pythagoras Statue, Picnic Tables, Fountain Area, and Lawn Area.
- **Off-Limits for Eating:** Please do not have lunch in the Rosicrucian Peace Garden, the Front of Museum, or the Shrine Area.
- **Park Maintenance:** Please help us keep Rosicrucian Park beautiful. We all contribute to making this place serene and harmonious. **Please take your trash and recycling with you.** Do not dispose of school lunch trash at Rosicrucian Park.

## Exploring Rosicrucian Park

We invite you to explore the following areas of Rosicrucian Park:

- **Peace Garden:** An authentic ancient Egyptian style garden. Please no running or eating lunches in the garden. Please do not feed the fish.
  - **Pythagoras Statue** (behind the Planetarium): Ideal for lunch breaks with benches and lots of shade.
  - **Fountain Area:** In the center of Rosicrucian Park, great for lunches and large groups. Please stay out of the fountain.
  - **Picnic Tables:** Located to the side of the museum, can seat 25-30.
  - **Labyrinth:** A walking labyrinth for quiet meditation only.
  - **Native Gardens:** Native California plants surround the perimeter of Rosicrucian Park.
  - **Statuary:** Rosicrucian Park hosts an Obelisk, Sphinxes, and a variety of Egyptian statuary to enjoy. Please do not climb on the statues or columns.
  - **Shrine Area:** The Shrine area located near the fountain is reserved for Members of the Rosicrucian Order.
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## About the Museum

Sponsored by the Rosicrucian Order, AMORC, a public benefit educational organization, our museum has evolved from a single Sekhmet statue in 1927 to housing the largest collection of authentic ancient Egyptian artifacts on display in western North America. Since the current building's opening in 1966, we have offered a unique blend of ancient wisdom and modern archaeology to our guests from all over the world. Our extensive collection, featuring over 4,000 authentic ancient artifacts, serves as a rich educational resource for explorers of all ages to better understand ancient cultures and their own world. During your group's expedition, our goal is to enrich your understanding of ancient cultures and inspire lifelong curiosity, all while ensuring the preservation of these priceless artifacts for future generations.

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## Contact Information

For further questions or clarifications, please contact us at [info@egyptianmuseum.org](mailto:info@egyptianmuseum.org).

We look forward to welcoming you and your group!

Your Friends at the Rosicrucian Egyptian Museum.