

Behavior Expectations and Discipline Policy

Top objectives in all museum programs provide environments that are safe and positive for learning. The expectations listed below enable staff to maintain order and discipline so that participants in museum programs have safe, enjoyable experiences.

What we expect of your child:

1. Campers should use appropriate language at all times.
2. Campers should cooperate with staff and follow directions.
3. Campers should respect other children, equipment and facilities, and themselves.
4. Campers should maintain a positive attitude.
5. Campers should stay in program areas—running away is not acceptable.
6. Campers should not bring electronic devices to camp. If a camper is sent with a cell phone, it should stay out of sight and be used only with the approval of a camp instructor.
7. When traveling in a van, campers should
 - not put anything, including parts of his/her body, outside a window of the vehicle.
 - remain seated, and *always* wear seat belts.
 - converse in a normal tone of voice; loud noises are not allowed.
 - not participate in horseplay.

What you can expect of the North Carolina Museum of History:

1. We do not condone and will not tolerate corporal punishment.
2. We will not ridicule or threaten your child.
3. We will not leave children unsupervised.
4. We will not use profanity or an inappropriately loud voice.

Discipline Policy:

1. If a child is unable to comply with the behavior expectations, a conference will be held between the program director and the child. The parent/guardian will be made aware of this meeting.
2. If, after the above meeting, the child is still unable to comply with the behavior expectations, the program director will set up a conference with the parent/guardian. A behavior contract will be established and signed by the parent/guardian, the program director, and, if appropriate, the child.
3. If the child's behavior continues to be disruptive and/or unsafe, the child will be subject to suspension or dismissal.
4. If the parent/guardian fails to attend a conference and/or cooperate in resulting actions, the child will be subject to suspension or dismissal.
5. The following behaviors may result in immediate dismissal:
 - Any action that could potentially pose a direct threat to the physical or emotional safety of the child or other children or staff.
 - Fighting or biting.
 - Possession of a weapon of any kind.
 - Vandalism or destruction of museum property or property of others.
 - Sexual misconduct.
 - Possession of or use of alcohol.
 - Possession of or use of controlled substances unless under the prescription of a doctor.

I have read, I understand, and I agree with the policies as stated in this document and have discussed the behavior expectations with my child.