

SCHOOL TOURS FOR ULYSSES S. GRANT COTTAGE STATE HISTORIC SITE

Our goal at Grant Cottage is to give your group an enjoyable and memorable experience. In order for us to achieve our goal we need your cooperation with the following items:

- Reservations are required for all groups
- Reserve spaces for the maximum possible number of students and adults in your group
- Select three possible dates for your visit (in order of preference)
- If you would like to bring a picnic lunch please inform us ahead of your visit

Cottage Hours – 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Memorial Day to Columbus Day

All tours are guided tours and run 20 to 30 minutes in length.

Teachers are admitted free of charge.

The bus must stop at the Visitor's Center first to purchase/receive tickets.

We also open for special tours on days we are closed by appointment.

All restrooms are located in the Visitor's Center and Gift Shop.

Special Needs

Please inform us prior to your visit of any special assistance that your group, or any of its members, may require.

Both the Visitor's Center and the Cottage are handicapped accessible and a guide for the hearing impaired is located in both areas.

There is a handicapped accessible restroom located in the Visitor's Center.

Behavior Guidelines

One adult must accompany each group of ten children. Students must be accompanied by an adult at all times.

No running, smoking, eating or drinking are allowed in the Cottage.

Be courteous to other visitors.

No abusive language or gestures will be tolerated.

Groups failing to observe these guidelines will be asked to leave.

Students must remain on the runners inside the Cottage at all times.

No one is allowed to touch any of the artifacts.

Everyone must remain on the pathways to the Overlook at all times.

No pictures may be taken of the prison.

No firearms or alcohol are permitted on the grounds of the prison or the Cottage.

If anyone is hurt you must report it immediately to the site manager or director.

How to Make a Reservation:

For your convenience you may email our Director at info@grantcottage.org with the following information:

School name, Teacher's Name, Address, City, State, Zip, Phone, Fax, Email, plus: Grade level, Date of Visit, Arrival Time, Departure Time, # of Students, # of Teachers, # of Chaperones.

Or you may call the Cottage at 518-584-4353 with the above information during the hours of 10-4 pm, Wednesday through Friday, or fax the information to 518-584-8080 anytime.

Confirming Your Reservation

An email confirmation will be sent to you within two weeks of receiving your reservation. Please check this information carefully and call immediately to correct any inaccuracies. If you do not have an email, your confirmation will be faxed or sent via regular mail.

Rescheduling/Cancelling Your Reservation

Please notify us by telephone at 518-584-4353, fax at 518-584-8080, or email at info@grantcottage.org at least 48 hours in advance to reschedule or cancel.

Meal Options

We do not have food for sale or a restaurant on the premises, but you are allowed to bring in a bag lunch and picnic on the grounds. During inclement weather arrangements can be made to lunch on the verandah. Bag lunches can be temporarily stored in our refrigerator when group lunches are boxed or contained and marked with your school/group's name. All trash must be picked up and disposed of by your group before leaving the grounds. If you bring blankets or ground covers you may also picnic at the Overlook with a spectacular view of the Adirondack Mountains, the Green Mountains of Vermont, as well as, the Catskills Mountains to our south.

Let us take you back in time to 1885 when the General said his final farewell to his family, his friends and his country. The Cottage remains as it was when General Grant was in residence. We invite you to learn about the life and the legacy of America's greatest General, Civil War Hero and the 18th President of the United States.

Visit us at: www.grantcottage.org or become our Fan on Facebook.

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