Find YOUR smile

Join the Dental Team

The Samuel D. Harris National Museum of Dentistry Field Trip Guide

Smile-Inspiring Tours and Programs for K-12 Students

410-706-0600
Mon-Fri: 9am-4pm
www.dentalmuseum.org

Smithsonian Affiliate
Discover the power of a healthy smile with a field trip to the National Museum of Dentistry!

An Affiliate of the Smithsonian Institution, the National Museum of Dentistry is renowned for its collection of dental related treasures from the legendary to the whimsical. From ancient cultures to the modern dental office, unearth the progression of people and their teeth. Experience innovative, interactive exhibits and programs that teach the importance of oral health in a healthy life.

A visit to the National Museum of Dentistry is a fascinating, fun, smile-inspiring experience where students learn the important role oral health plays in a healthy life. Hands-on programs and interactive exhibits offer educational activities that meet national education standards in health, science, social studies, and language arts.

For more information or to schedule a tour, call 410-706-0600 or visit us online at www.dentalmuseum.org.

We look forward to seeing your smiles!
Tours...

- $5 per student
- All teachers and chaperones receive free admission
- Tours can be scheduled Monday through Friday from 9am to 2pm.
- A minimum of 10 students and a maximum of 125 students per visit.
- Reservations are required;
- Call 410-706-0600 or e-mail pcutter@umaryland.edu

“Over 51 MILLION school hours are lost EACH YEAR because of dental related illness.”
- Surgeon General’s Report on Oral Health

Pre-K to 5th Grade

See amazing “teeth feats,” enter Moutchie’s hands-on laboratory to discover how to keep your smile sparkling, and come tooth-to-tooth with George Washington's not-so-wooden teeth to see how our first president handled losing his chompers. This tour takes students throughout the museum to explore why we have teeth, why they are important, and how to take care of them.

4th to 12th Grade

Step into the role of a forensics investigator and discover how to identify gender and ethnicity from skulls and analyze X-rays to make identifications. Learn how DNA in saliva is changing the way we detect disease, and see how scientists are working on growing replacement teeth from adult stem cells. Grades 4th through 8th will also visit The Marvelous Mouth to discover the world of braces.

Did you know...

A dentist invented cotton candy?
Teeth in Popular Culture
Marvel at unique cultural teeth traditions, and trace what humans have done to their teeth throughout history. Learn how important smiles are for recognizing people, watch unbelievable “teeth feat” performances, and realize how teeth have made their way into popular culture for centuries.

Animals and Their Teeth
Learn how your mouth compares to a shark or a horse. Analyze skulls from across the animal kingdom to figure out what they eat, if they have had more sets of teeth than you, and why every animal has a different smile.

The Prevention Gallery
Discover how the focus of dentistry has changed from extraction to prevention, witness how toothbrushes, toothpastes, and mouthwashes have evolved from a chew stick to what is in your bathroom, and revisit catchy commercial jingles for dental products on the world’s only Tooth Jukebox.

Did you know...
A dentist embalmed Abraham Lincoln?
The George Washington Gallery

Immerse yourself in an 18th century presidential parlor; discover what the first President of the United States had to go through because of problems with his mouth and learn about Dr. John Greenwood, the man behind Washington’s smile.

The Future is Now!

Celebrate the rich heritage of African Americans in dentistry through one of the museum’s traveling exhibitions. Discover key individuals, institutions, and organizations that reshaped the social and political landscape of oral health care in the United States.

MouthPower®

Explore Mouthie’s interactive laboratory to get the inside story on the best way to have a happy mouth for life. Don your lab coat and learn the parts of the tooth, practice brushing and flossing on a larger-than-life mouth, explore healthy eating, and discover how tobacco harms your teeth.

Did you know...

There is a patron saint of dentistry?
Planning Your Trip...

Schedule a Tour
To schedule a self-guided tour, contact us at 410-706-0600. Tours are scheduled on a first-come, first-served basis.

Fees
Student admission is $5. Teachers and chaperones receive FREE admission. Payment for the trip can be made in advance or on the day of arrival.

Food
Groups may bring lunches and eat in the Museum’s atrium. We will provide trash cans but cannot provide tables or chairs. Please notify us if you plan to eat on site. Quick service restaurants are available within walking distance. A list of eating options is available upon request.

Accessibility
The Museum is wheelchair accessible and meets the Americans with Disabilities Act guidelines. Please let us know if your students require special accommodations when booking your tour.

Buses and Parking
Buses and vans may unload and pick up at the corner of Greene and Lombard Streets. Parking is not available at the Museum. For visitors, on-street metered parking and hourly garages are available nearby. For information on parking visit www.dentalmuseum.org, click on “Visit Us,” and then “Directions and Parking.”

Location
The National Museum of Dentistry is located at 31 South Greene Street (at Lombard Street) in downtown Baltimore, on the campus of the University of Maryland Baltimore.

General Information
Call 410-706-0600 or visit www.dentalmuseum.org

Still undecided? Come explore the museum for FREE!
Give us a call at 410-706-0600 or e-mail pcutter@umaryland.edu to schedule a time to visit the museum, or stop in and mention the field trip guide and the name of the school you work at to receive free admission to the museum for you and a guest.