

GUIDELINES FOR VISITING STUDENT GROUPS



Group Co-ordinators are required to ensure that all teachers, supervisors and students understand these guidelines before entering the Museum.

These guidelines are for the benefit of all visitors to the Australian Age of Dinosaurs Museum and it's imperative that they are followed during your visit. They have been designed to ensure your students' safety and help protect Museum collection objects and other visitors. *They will also help you comply with Department of Education and Training risk assessment guidelines for excursions.*

At least **one** adult must accompany each group of students using the following ratios:

- 1: 15 for Years 11–12+
- 1: 10 for Years 8–10
- 1: 5 for Years 1–7 and
- 1: 3 for children aged 6 and under.

An adult must stay with the group at all times and is responsible for the management of the group's behaviour and safety. When a group is split, the adult to student ratio still must apply. We ask that you consider this when booking, along with the following criteria.

- Travel as lightly as possible. It is preferred that large backpacks are locked up in the bus. Any valuables brought to the Museum, ie cameras or jewelry are the sole responsibility of the student to take care of during their visiting..
- Ensure all students have their own hat, water bottle, closed in shoes and comfortable clothing for activities.
- Be considerate of other visitors to the Museum. In particular, avoid blocking thoroughfares, entry and exit points. No running or climbing is permitted throughout the Museum.
- No eating or drinking is permitted in the Laboratory or the Collection Room and Shop at the Reception Centre. There are outside areas designated for BYO lunches and snacks, as well as the Cretaceous Café for catered meals.
- When attending the Laboratory or Collection Room tours, all students must remain behind the barriers. No student is to touch a fossil without authorisation from their Museum Tour Guide.
- Walk along the designated walk ways only when moving between the Collection Room and the Laboratory.
- The Museum practises a "Leave No Trace" policy so please ensure all students dispose of their rubbish responsibly, either in the bins provided or by taking it with them.

Please make copies of these guidelines and ensure all supervisors have them on hand during the visit. Student groups should plan to *arrive 10-15 minutes before their*

designated tour time.

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