



## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **New, Interactive Field Trip Program Introduced at The Museums at Lisle Station Park**

**Photo: [Students watching a blacksmith demonstration while on a field trip at The Museums at Lisle Station Park](#)**

Lisle, IL – The Museums at Lisle Station Park are proud to launch their expanded field trip program for schools, organizations, and associations throughout Chicagoland!

Students, educators, and groups of all ages and types are invited to schedule a field trip at The Museums at Lisle Station Park. They offer a wide range of activities, demonstrations, and lessons designed to foster an interactive and engaging museum experience. Self-guided activities like “I-Spy” and “Bingo” give participants a chance to have a unique experience at the museum, identifying and connecting with historical objects throughout the site. Demonstrations of traditional blacksmithing, woodturning, baking, and more allow groups to connect with the technology and experiences of 19th century life. “White Glove Zones” are set up throughout the museum to give visitors an exclusive opportunity to handle real historical artifacts, specifically curated to enrich their visit. The museum site features historical buildings from Lisle and the surrounding region. The buildings have been restored inside and out to the way they would have appeared in the 19<sup>th</sup> and early 20<sup>th</sup> centuries. Trained docents lead interactive tours, which showcase structures and stories from 19th and 20<sup>th</sup> century northern Illinois. Visitors will learn about the people that lived, worked, and did business in these historic structures and ones like it from our region. Groups can select from a variety of participatory activities like “Be a Historian” and “Archaeology Adventure,” which are designed to immerse them in the practical skills of history, archaeology, and even build their own take-home exhibits. The Museums at Lisle Station Park also offer lessons and activities for before, during and after field trips. These are designed by educators and guided by education standards to enrich and supplement learning in the classroom and beyond.

The Museums at Lisle Station Park are Lisle Park District facilities and operate as a joint effort between the Lisle Park District, the Village of Lisle, and the Lisle Heritage Society. They are conveniently located at 921 School Street in Lisle within walking distance of the Lisle Metra Station, easily accessible from anywhere along the BNSF railroad line. Parking is available on-site for cars and mini-busses with nearby parking for larger busses. The museums are also within walking distance of Downtown Lisle, Prairie Walk Pond, and Dragonfly Landing. Tours and demonstrations are free for Lisle schools and organizations. Text LISLEMUSEUM to 22828 to receive their newsletter, or visit [bit.ly/lislemuseumtour](http://bit.ly/lislemuseumtour) to view a digital tour of the museum before an in-person visit. Interested schools and organizations should complete the field trip interest form found at [bit.ly/fieldtripinterest](http://bit.ly/fieldtripinterest).

Daily admission to the museum is free. If you are interested in learning more about Lisle’s history and culture, The Museums at Lisle Station Park are looking for volunteer assistance, including museum docents, history buffs, adult and children program support, special event assistance, and help with community and service projects. Please visit [LisleParkDistrict.org/museumsatlislestationpark-volunteer](http://LisleParkDistrict.org/museumsatlislestationpark-volunteer) to complete the

volunteer application. The Museums at Lisle Station Park have open office hours on Tuesdays and Saturdays from 10am-1pm. For more information about the museum's facilities, exhibits, blacksmith classes, birthday parties, and rental opportunities, visit [LisleParkDistrict.org/museumsatlislestationpark](http://LisleParkDistrict.org/museumsatlislestationpark) or call 630-968-0499.

The Lisle Park District provides a variety of leisure activities for people of all ages throughout the year. Park district facilities include Lisle Community Park; the Recreation Center which houses Gentle Learning Preschool, SEASPAR, the Senior Center, and multipurpose rooms; Sea Lion Aquatic Park; River Bend Golf Course; Wheatstack – A Midwestern Eatery & Tap and numerous neighborhood playgrounds and parks offering amenities such as tennis courts, ball fields, walking paths and picnic areas totaling close to 400 acres. It is the mission of the Lisle Park District to enrich the quality of life for people of all ages by providing constructive and creative leisure opportunities. For more information about the Lisle Park District, please call 630-964-3410 or visit [lisleparkdistrict.org](http://lisleparkdistrict.org).

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