

Historic Alexandria SCHOOL PROGRAMS



All activities are free to ACPS!

Cost: \$3 per student per program, \$55 minimum. Up to five free adults per program, additional adults \$3 each. Payment is due at the time of arrival.

Time: All programs are approximately 50 minutes long unless otherwise noted.

Group Size: We can accommodate multiple classes per day. The Youth and Family Program Coordinator will give specific options for your group.

PREK-2ND GRADE



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TO CLASSROOMS!**



Science Underground

How do archaeologists study the past? Learn about the clues beneath your feet and the archaeological methods used to find, sort, and identify artifacts.

Alexandria Archaeology Museum | PreK - Grade 1



Being Brave in Alexandria

Come learn about the power of children to improve their communities through a story about a real child of the Civil Rights Movement and how children in Alexandria participated in that movement.

Alexandria Black History Museum | PreK - Grade 2



Move in the Museum!

Explore an 18th century tavern using movement! Participants investigate the tavern using their senses and imaginations and try their hand at 18th century entertainments and games.

Gadsby's Tavern Museum | PreK - Grade 2



Hands-On History

Learn about the 18th century through reproduction artifacts and images and discuss life in early Alexandria compared to today.

Alexandria History Museum at The Lyceum | PreK - Grade 2



Citizen Firefighter

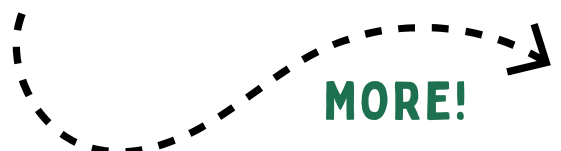
Explore the idea of citizenship through volunteer firefighters in early Alexandria. Includes learning how they fought fires and examining their role in the community.

Friendship Firehouse Museum | PreK - Grade 3 (1 hour)

Our City

Learn more about early Alexandria as a community while comparing life in early Alexandria to life today through the lens of the tavern business.

Gadsby's Tavern Museum | Grade 1 - 2





The Sugar Trade in Alexandria

What is a Sugar House? Examine artifacts from a site in Alexandria to learn how sugar was made in the 19th century. Learn how archaeologists identify and classify artifacts.
Alexandria Archaeology Museum. 2-3

Fort Discovery



Investigate Fort Ward's Civil War history, tour the earthworks and museum, and explore the story of The Fort community, a neighborhood which grew on the site decades after the Civil War.
Fort Ward Museum. K-5th (75 minutes)

3RD-5TH GRADE

The Historic Apothecary and Medicine



How has medicine changed over time? Learn about past practices and tools of the trade through a guided, hands-on tour of the museum.
Stabler-Leadbeater Apothecary Museum. 3-5.

A Tavern at Work



Ideal for students studying Colonial and Early America, students use primary sources to understand urban slavery and the challenges faced by 18th c. residents and travelers through the lens of the tavern business.
Gadsby's Tavern Museum. 4+.

Old Town Walking Tour



Explore the streets of Old Town to learn about the founding of the city, early business and government, and Alexandria's role in the War of Independence and the new nation.
Six-eight blocks around King and Cameron Streets. 4-5.

Ship Science

Why would a ship be found underground? Use dendrochronology and other scientific methods to uncover the mystery behind Alexandria's 18th century ship discovered along the waterfront.
Alexandria Archaeology Museum. 4-5.



Hayti: Uncovering an African-American Neighborhood

Weave together maps, census records, and artifacts from a free Black site to understand the people who lived there.
Alexandria Archaeology Museum. 5+ (Limit 30 students.)



Studying the Past



Are museums primary or secondary sources? Students examine sources and evaluate perspectives to uncover what it means to be a historian.
Gadsby's Tavern Museum. 5+.