

Camp-In Program: Policies and Procedures (2011-12)

Twin Valley Council – Cub & Boy Scout Camp-In

February 18-19 and 25-26, 2012

Ahoy matey! It's time to prepare for your outrageous science adventure! Please read through this information carefully and save it to bring with you to your Camp-In at the Science Museum. By following these guidelines, you can be sure to make your Camp-In experience as fun and safe as possible. Please call (651) 265-9889, if you have any questions. AARRRGH!



Essentials to Bring: A camper's checklist

- ___ **One large bag:** pack your gear in a garbage, laundry, or duffel bag labeled with your name and group name. Gear should be marked to minimize the loss of items. **Please pack lightly; storage space is limited.**
- ___ **Sleeping gear:** an indoor sleeping bag or bed roll. ****Please note**** you will be sleeping on hard floors (see "options" for padding guidelines.)
- ___ **Comfortable clothes:** layering your clothing is recommended. Keep in mind that both men and women attend Camp-Ins. Also, the Camp-In Team is comprised of men and women. This is a camping experience; we encourage participants to sleep in their clothes.
- ___ **Comfortable shoes:** shoes must be worn at all times (except while sleeping).
- ___ **Personal items:** pillow, toothbrush, toothpaste, small towel and washcloth, face soap, and other essentials. **No shower is available.**

Options:

- **Foam-sleeping pads are highly recommended**, as the sleeping area is not fully carpeted. You must provide your own sleeping pad or air mattress. Due to space limitations, cots or large air beds cannot be accommodated.
- Simple games to share during quiet time (11:00 p.m.–12:00 a.m.)
- Extra money for snacks or souvenirs.
- There are vending machines and a museum shop within the museum. Participants may purchase items during scheduled free time.

**** Please do not bring large inflatable beds, hair dryers, flashlights, personal stereos, video games, laptop computers, CDs, curling irons, or other electrical devices****

Special Needs

If someone in your group has special needs, contact the Camp-In Program at (651) 265-9889 as soon as possible. We will make every reasonable attempt to accommodate you. **Any camper with special dietary requirements should bring their own food for meals and snacks.** Refrigeration for special food and medical supplies is available.

Dinner, Snack, and Breakfast Information

A Pizza Dinner is provided as part of this Camp-In experience. The dinner includes a variety of pizzas (including vegetarian), salad, fresh fruit, cookies, and drink. Our Camp-In **Snack Smorgasbord** continues to be a SMM tradition! We place out a variety of snacks in a “snack smorgasbord”, for everyone to enjoy. Our Camp-In breakfast is a bountiful buffet, featuring muffins, bagels, fresh fruit, cereal, milk, and juice. A great way to start the next day’s activities!



Museum Policies and Behavior Guidelines

Please discuss museum policies and behavior guidelines with your group before the Camp-In event. Parents and chaperones are responsible for supervising youth at all times.

Camp-In Behavior Guidelines

- Food and drink are not allowed in the exhibit halls, the Auditorium, the Science Live Theater, the Atrium Stage, or the Omnitheater.
- Smoking is prohibited; the museum is a smoke-free building.
- Please walk at all times in the museum.
- Show respect for the museum by not littering or defacing property and by keeping the spaces used clean. **During sleeping hours, no one should be using any exhibit equipment. Please stay off the exhibit hall components!**
- Follow the fire code discussed during the safety speech.

Safety Policies and Museum Accommodations

Safety Policies

- The Camp-In program is required to meet fire and emergency standards. A safety demonstration on evacuation and emergency procedures is given to all participants.
- A museum engineer, VRS (Visitor Relations and Security), and the Camp-In Team are present throughout the night to handle any emergencies that may arise. All team members are trained in CPR, first aid, and emergency exit procedures.
- **Sleeping in exhibit halls is a special privilege! Please respect museum property at all times.**
- Refrigeration for medical supplies is available.
- Museum staff is available to you during your visit to offer directions, answer questions, and to radio the Camp-In team members should you require immediate assistance. You will recognize museum staff by their colored shirts and museum badges.

Reasonable Accommodation

- Large print brochures, catalogs, publications, and film scripts are available on request. Sign language interpreters also are available for the Camp-In program with 5 days notice. Call (651) 221-9406 or TDD (651) 221-4585 to discuss your access needs. Please inform the Camp-In Team of any arrangements made.

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Reasonable Accommodation (continued)

- Wheelchairs are available.
- **Please pack lightly; storage space is limited.**
- Public museum lockers are available in the main lobby of the museum, behind the Box Office. Lockers cost .50 cents to \$1.00 depending on size. Small items that you need access to while in the exhibits can be placed in these lockers.
- Lost and Found: Label all gear with group and individual names to minimize lost items. Items left behind are given to museum operations the Monday following each Camp-In event.
- Call (651) 221-9406 and ask for lost and found. Lost or stolen items are not the responsibility of the Science Museum.

Parent/Chaperone Information

Arrival time

Plan to arrive with your campers between 3:00-4:00 p.m. on Saturday afternoon. **Please arrive at your scheduled time**; Campers will not be admitted prior to 3:00 p.m., unless prior arrangements have been made. **Please plan to arrive and depart from the museum as a full group.** Youth should not arrive unsupervised. The museum is not responsible for youth who are dropped off for the Camp-In program without supervision.

Parent/Chaperone's Responsibilities

- Sign-in at the Education Commons entrance at **120 West Kellogg, Level 2** to obtain an event packet.
- Deposit gear in designated areas.
- Supply a complete, updated listing of adults and children participating in the Camp-In. Each Camp-In is planned for a specific age and gender; please do not substitute unregistered children. This policy includes babies.
- Adults must stay with your campers at all times.
- Plan to stay in the museum throughout the Camp-In event. It is important that you remain in the building with your campers.
- Remain with campers in designated sleeping areas between 11:00 p.m. and 6:30 a.m. (Please show respect for others by keeping your group quiet from 11:30 p.m. until 6:30 a.m.)
- Be a role model for your campers and others.



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Important Information for Parents/Guardians

Emergency Procedures: Contacting Your Child

1. **Before you call, have the following information ready:** name of camper, name of chaperone, and/or name of organization (if appropriate).
2. **Call the emergency Camp-In cell phone number @ (651) 485-0484.** A Camp-In Team member carries the cell phone with them 30 minutes before each Camp-In event, during the event, and until 30 minutes after each event.
3. **Wait for your call to be returned.** If your call is not returned within 15 minutes, call (651) 253-9583 for Security / VRS, 24-hours a day.

OMNIFILM

OMNITHEATER

Under the Sea

Opening February 18, 2012

Your seafaring adventure doesn't end with the *Real Pirates* exhibition. Take a giant screen journey to some of the most exotic and isolated undersea locations on Earth, including South Australia, the Great Barrier Reef, and the Coral Triangle islands of Papua New Guinea and Indonesia. You'll come face-to-face with some of the most mysterious and stunning creatures of the sea.



SPECIAL EXHIBITION

Real Pirates

Opening February 18, 2012

Sail with legendary pirate Sam Bellamy and his crew and learn the true story of the *Whydah*, from her historic transformation from slave ship to pirate ship to her final resting place on the ocean floor. One of the most advanced ships of her day, the *Whydah* sank in a storm in 1717 with bounty from more than 50 captured ships. View more than 200 artifacts, including cannons, swords, coins, gold and jewelry, recovered off the coast of Cape Cod from the first authenticated pirate ship discovered in U.S. waters.



*****This special exhibition is NOT part of the Camp-In Experience. Visit www.smm.org/pirates for more information and to purchase tickets*****

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PERMANENT EXHIBIT HALLS

Collections Gallery: Everybody collects something, and the Science Museum of Minnesota has been collecting since 1907. Today we have more than 1.75 million objects in our collections, including biological, anthropological, geological, and historical objects and artifacts.



Experiment Gallery: Test out a variety of hands-on exhibits and activities exploring the worlds of physical science and mathematics. Create your own weather system, make wiggly waves with the Lariat Chain, and wonder at the intricacies of sound in the Sound Lab. Visit the Wave Tank and watch the surf crash against a wall or roll slowly up onto shore. Operate a steam engine and learn how the High Bridge Power Plant generates our electricity.



Human Body Gallery: This 6,000 square-foot gallery explores the things that make us human. Interact with components that address genetic identity, anatomy, consciousness, and movement of materials and signals throughout the body.



Dinosaurs and Fossils Gallery: The Dinosaurs and Fossils Gallery amazes with world-class pre-historic dinosaur and fossil displays and interactive exhibits covering 10,000 square feet. Interactive exhibits and displays make the ancient past come alive!



Mississippi River Gallery: The Mississippi River Gallery takes you on a winding path—like the river itself. Starting at the headwaters in Itasca State Park, you'll go down river to the greatest concentration of waterfalls on the Mississippi, at St. Anthony Falls. Unlock the secrets of the locks and dams. Take a tour of an authentic river towboat.



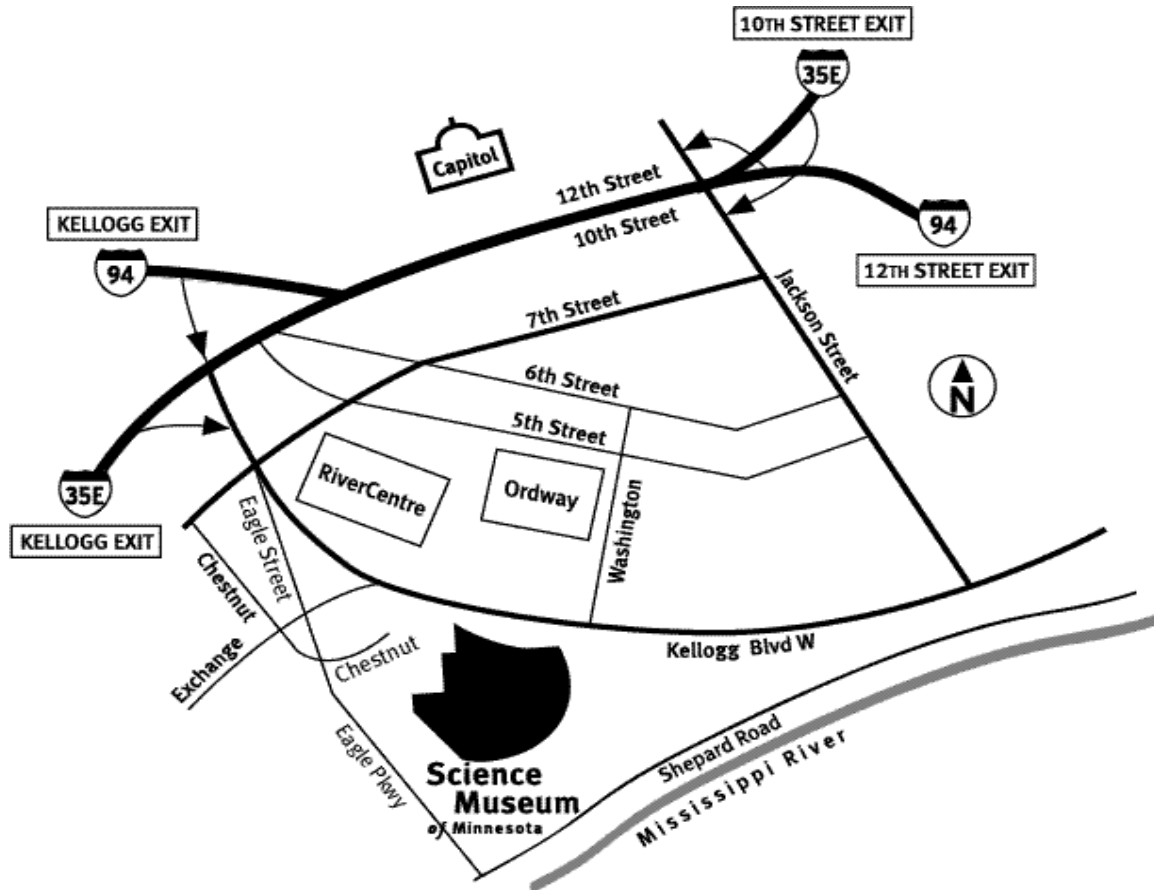
Collectors' Corner: If you find an interesting object like a rock, fossil, skull, or pine cone, bring it in to the Science Museum to be traded. Note the surroundings of your discovery, and be sure to write down where and when you found it. Do some research and learn more about your specimen. Then, bring it to the Collectors' Corner in the museum's Collections Gallery and tell the Collectors' Corner staff about your specimen...the more you know, the more points you earn!

Science Buzz: Come see what the Buzz is all about! Is everyone buzzing about something—a monster hurricane, avian flu, a potential cure for cancer, or a new fossil find? Find out the latest on [Science Buzz](#). Post your own science stories, leave a question or a comment, or interact directly with featured scientists.

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Map, Directions, & Parking

The Science Museum is located at: 120 W. Kellogg Boulevard. You may enter the ramp in two places: on Kellogg Boulevard (upper entrance) or on Chestnut (lower entry). Larger vehicles will find the lower entrance to the ramp easier to negotiate.



From:

Eastbound on I-94 or Northbound on I-35E Take Kellogg Blvd. exit. Go right. Follow Kellogg to the three-way intersection of Kellogg, West 7th Street, and Eagle Street. Turn right down Eagle Street. At the second stoplight, Chestnut Street, turn left. Proceed to the lower ramp entrance.

Westbound on I-94 Take the 10th Street exit and follow to Jackson Street. Turn left and go south to Kellogg Blvd. Turn right onto Kellogg, and continue six blocks. The museum will be on your left. Be sure you are in the left lane and follow the Exchange Street underpass, which ducks underneath Kellogg Blvd. Continue down Exchange to the first intersection and take a left on Eagle. Then take the next left on Chestnut and proceed to the lower parking entrance.

Southbound on I-35E Take the 10th Street exit to Jackson Street, turn left and go south to Kellogg Blvd. Turn right onto Kellogg, and continue six blocks. The museum will be on your left. Be sure you are in the left lane, and follow the Exchange Street underpass, which ducks underneath Kellogg Blvd. Follow Exchange to the first intersection and take a left on Eagle. Then take the next left on Chestnut and proceed to the lower parking entrance.

Parking Information

You are responsible for the cost of parking during the event. Convenient parking is available in the Museum's underground ramp. Overnight parking in the ramp is \$7.00. You will be provided with a Camp-In discount coupon to assure this price. Sometimes the museum ramp will be in event parking. If this is the case, please pay the \$12.00 entrance fee...you can then go to the Box Office and receive a \$7.00 refund. At times, a \$5.00 parking rate will apply. If this is the case, you will not be charged anything extra to park.

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**SATURDAY-SUNDAY CAMP-IN SCHEDULE
TWIN VALLEY CUB & BOY SCOUTS
FEBRUARY 18, 19 AND 25-26, 2012
SAMPLE SCHEDULE (SUBJECT TO CHANGE)**

Saturday, February 18 and 25, 2012

- 3:00-4:00 PM** Arrival/Sign-in and Brief Introduction to the Camp-In
Store Gear – Hallway Storage Lockers
(Education Commons – Level 2)
- 4:00-4:30 PM** Explore the Museum
(Levels 3-5)
- 4:30-5:30 PM** Pizza Dinner
(Education Commons – Level 2)
- 5:30-6:00 PM** Welcome Show & Introductions
(Auditorium – Level 3)
- 6:40-7:40 PM** Explore Science Workshops
(Classrooms – Level 2)
- 7:45-8:45 PM** Science LIVE Theater Show: *Cryogenics*
(Atrium Stage – Level 3)
- 8:45-9:10 PM** Explore the Museum
(Levels 3-5)
- 9:15-9:45 PM** Snack and Break
(Education Commons – Level 2)
- 10:00-10:45 PM** Omnitheater Presentation: *Under the Sea*
(Omnitheater – Level 5)
- 11:00-11:45 PM** Campsite Set-Up / Safety Talk
(Exhibits – Level 3)



LIGHTS OUT AT 11:45 PM!

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SAMPLE SCHEDULE (SUBJECT TO CHANGE)**

Saturday, February 18 and 25, 2012 (Continued)

12:00-12:30 AM Cracker Barrel (for the leaders and chaperones!)

Sunday, February 19 and 26, 2012

7:00-7:25 AM Wake Up Early! Campsite Cleanup
Gear Storage – Along the hallway on Level 2
(Education Commons – Level 2)

7:30-8:00 AM Continental Breakfast
(Education Commons – Level 2)

8:00 AM Pickup Gear & Depart the Museum

THE CAMP-IN CONCLUDES AT 8:00 AM ON SUNDAY



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**WAIVER FORM
CAMP-IN PROGRAM 2011-12
SCIENCE MUSEUM OF MINNESOTA**



PROCEDURES & POLICIES WAIVER

I, the undersigned, understand and agree to the procedure and policies established by the Science Museum of Minnesota's Camp-In. These procedures & policies include, but are not limited to: behavior, liability, camper participation, special needs, safety, accommodations, and program components. All Camp-In procedures and policies are outlined in the 2011-12 Chaperone and/or Youth Informational Packets

I DO NOT agree to the SMM's Camp-In procedures and policies. Comments: _____

Name/signature of parent, guardian, or student _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

MEDICAL RELEASE

I, the undersigned, hereby give my permission for the Science Museum of Minnesota to procure all necessary medical help for myself, my child or ward while said person is under the direct supervision of the Science Museum of Minnesota, and grant permission to its representatives to authorize any competent medical person to do all things reasonably necessary to take care of any injury or sickness. There is no health insurance or medical coverage provided. The signing of this form acknowledges that the participant/guardian accepts responsibility for payment of any medical treatment which may be required while they are in this program. I agree to the above participant waiver and medical release.

Participant's Signature

Date

If the participant is a minor, the undersigned hereby certifies that (s)he is the parent or legal guardian of

_____ and agrees to the above on behalf of _____
Name of Minor

Name of Minor

Parent or Legal Guardian Signature

Date



LIVE ANIMAL POLICY

The Science Museum of Minnesota has offered tours, field trips, workshops, and classes to thousands of participants for many years. We take pride in the quality of our programs and the skill of our instructional staff. **The Camp-In Program often provides the opportunity for participants to observe, be in close proximity to and touch live animals. In exchange for participation in class activities with live animals, please sign the following waiver.**

I understand and agree that I am participating in the Camp-In program voluntarily and at my own risk. I will not hold the Science Museum of Minnesota or its officers, directors, or employees liable for any negligence or alleged negligence or other fault (not including intentional acts) that results in personal injury, death, or property damage during or in connection with the above program. The undersigned, for myself and for my heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, hereby releases and forever discharges the Science Museum of Minnesota and its directors, officers, and employees from all such claims. This waiver will be construed according to the law of the State of Minnesota.

I DO NOT give permission for myself or child to touch/come into contact with live animals. Comments:

Name/signature of parent, guardian, or student _____

PHOTOGRAPHY AND VIDEO WAIVER

I, the undersigned, understand that picture(s) and/or video of (name of participant) _____ may be shot during the Camp-In and could, in turn, be used for publicity purposes by the Science Museum of Minnesota or its event sponsors. The Science Museum of Minnesota, the event sponsors, and/or the press may use said photograph(s) for brochures, annual reports, department catalogs, exhibit displays and/or publicity photographs and/or video for television news, newspapers/magazines, or for other promotional purposes.

I DO NOT give permission for myself or child to be photographed. Comments: _____

Name/signature of parent, guardian, or student _____