Bernhard Living History

Frequently Asked Questions

- **What time should I arrive?**

  Please check with your teacher to find out when the students will arrive. Plan to arrive twenty minutes before them. The day typically begins around 9:30/10:00 a.m.

- ***Where do I find period clothing?***

  Check out the guidelines and sources listed in our *Parents' Living History Guide to Success*.

- ***Are sandals or tennis shoes okay?***

  Not sandals, and preferably not tennis shoes. Do wear worn-in, comfortable closed-toe shoes. Black or brown leather is best. Try to avoid white or bright tennis shoes.

- ***Am I allowed to take photos?***

  Absolutely, we encourage you to take pictures! We do ask that you not disrupt the learning experience by pulling students out of their activities for photos. We'll give you opportunity to take a formal group picture at the beginning of the day.

- ***What about my mobile phone?***

  Mute it. Hide it. You can take pictures with it, but please limit calls to emergencies only, and take those away from the Living History activities.

- ***Do I stay with my child during the Living History field trip?***

  No, parent volunteers stay with their assigned activities while students rotate through all the stations. Everyone eats lunch together though.

- ***Will I get to tour the house?***

  Probably not. You will be busy leading your activity during the day. We invite you to stay after Living History or, better yet, encourage your child to bring the entire family back for a weekend tour! Museum hours are Tuesday – Sunday, 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Tours are free.

- ***What if it's cold or rainy?***

  It can be very cold in the mornings. Please bring a jacket and layer your clothing as necessary to keep you and your child warm and dry. Although we like to stay as authentic to 1889 as possible, we want everyone to be comfortable. On rainy days, we move most of the activities indoors.

- ***May I bring my Starbucks?***

  Yes, just be sure to trash your cup before students arrive.

- ***How many students will be in each group?***

  Generally 5-9, depending on the number of classes your school sends on one day.