

Destination Ag: Frequently Asked Questions



Review Policies & Procedures for all details regarding your field trip or visit online at gma.abac.edu/destinationag.

Will my students visit the Historic Village?

• No, as Destination Ag is a modern agricultural and natural resources education program. Find further information on Historic Village programming at Historic Field Trips.

When should we arrive and when can we leave?

- Arrive between 9:00-9:15 am. The Museum opens at 9:00 am. Later arrivals will reduce the number of sessions your students will attend.
- Departure times are dependent upon grade. Earlier departures will reduce the number of sessions your students will attend.
 - o 3rd, 5th, and 1st grade will depart by 1:15 pm.
 - PreK departure by 12:30 pm.

What is Free Time?

- · A session where students have time on the agricultural themed playground.
- No Museum staff lead this session.
- All classrooms rotate through a free time session.
- Classrooms may also visit the Drug Store (Tuesday-Friday if pre-planned), the pollinator garden, and livestock during this session.

Do adults pay for the field trip?

- Teachers, bus drivers, par pros, and other school employees receive free entry during scheduled field trip.
- · All other adults and additional children pay at the Country Store before driving around to the large parking lot where students unload.
 - Mondays: Entry to the Art Gallery, and the Museum Main Hall only
 - Tuesdays-Fridays: Entry to the Historic Village, the Art Gallery and the Museum Main Hall





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How should my students dress while visiting Destination Ag?

 Close-toed shoes, weather appropriate clothing, and a water bottle. Remember we are outdoors!

Does my school need to bring a sack lunch?

• Yes, the Opry Shelter is available for your school to eat lunch.

Is there a place on-site that adults can purchase lunch?

- Yes. Tuesday through Friday, the Historic Village Drug Store is open for adults to purchase lunch.
- The Village and the Drug Store are closed on Mondays.

What happens if the weather is bad?

- Museum staff watch the weather closely and will decide to close the Museum or cancel programming by noon the day before.
- The Museum stays open during less severe storms/light rain and programming is still provided. We love the rain!
- Rescheduling the field trip is always preferred as long as there are dates available.

What happens when we arrive at the Museum?

- <u>All</u> buses must stop at the Country Store for the lead teacher to check in and provide the total number of students participating. **Students stay on the bus.**
- Any media release forms can be handed to Museum staff and the lead teacher will receive copies of the day's program schedule.
- After check-in, Museum staff will show the buses (and any additional chaperones) where to park so students and lunches can be unloaded.
- Depending upon time, a brief orientation is provided and instructors lead groups to the first session.

How can I find more information about Destination Ag or ABAC's Georgia Museum of Agriculture?

- Visit the Museum and Destination Ag online at gma.abac.edu or gma.abac.edu/destinationag.
- Follow the Museum and Destination Ag on Facebook and Instagram!

