

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.
 - 3rd, 5th, and 1st grade will depart by 1:10 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.
- Classes may also visit the pollinator garden and agricultural machinery during this session.

Do adults pay for the field trip?

- Teachers, bus drivers, paraprofessionals, 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 – No Admission Fee)
 - Mondays: Historic Village, Country/Drug Store, and Museum Main Hall CLOSED.
 - 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. There is a \$5.00 purchasing minimum when using a credit or debit card.
- The Village, the Country Store 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?

- **UPDATE: All** buses drive through the gate and follow the road to the large parking lot. Museum staff will be waiting to help park buses. **Buses do NOT stop at the Country Store.** Parents/chaperones still need to pay admission at the Country Store Tuesday-Friday.
- After a quick bus orientation, students will unload the buses. The lead teacher will provide Museum staff with student numbers and any media release forms.
- The day's program schedule will be handed out to each teaching group.
- If time, a brief welcome is provided in the Opry Shelter and instructors will 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!

