

I'm going on a tour at the Nelson-Atkins!



We are going to The Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art. Inside the museum, there is art from all over the world. Some of the art is over five thousand years old, and some was made just last year.



When we arrive at the museum, a visitor services officer will come onto our bus and go over the rules. Then we will get off the bus. We might have to wait a few minutes on the bus or outside if there are other groups ahead of us before we can enter the museum. The museum has two entrances. If we are going on a tour, we will enter through the glass doors.



Our docent will greet us inside the glass doors. A docent is someone who will take me on a tour. They know a lot about the artwork in the museum.



If we are going on a tour, our docent will lead us down the stairs. We can stop at the bathroom and the water fountain, if we need to.



Then we will leave all our bags, coats, and lunches in the group coat check.



Our docent will do an introduction to the tour in the Bloch Lobby space. There might be other groups in the lobby, so it could be noisy!

The docent will go over some rules with our group:

I will keep my hands off the art and the glass display cases.

This will help keep the art safe and clean.

I will stay with my class when we walk in the galleries.

I will walk slowly in the museum.

I will use my inside talking voice.

I will listen to the docent and my classmates, and share my thoughts respectfully.



Then we will start our tour and walk together to the first stop in the galleries! We will see four different gallery spaces.



The tour is 1 hour and 15 minutes long. Sometimes I will be standing and sometimes the docent will ask me to sit down.



If I get lost, I can always ask a visitor services officer to help me find my group.

Some areas of the museum are loud and some are quiet; some are crowded and some have fewer people. If I need to go somewhere quiet, I will tell my teacher.

The museum is free, so I hope I will come back with my family and friends!