



My Visit to the Missouri State Capitol and Missouri State Museum



My Visit to the Missouri State Capitol and Missouri State Museum: A Pre-Visit Social Story



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**I am going to visit the
Missouri State Museum and
the Missouri State Capitol!**



The museum is inside the large stone Capitol building.

My friends and I will get to explore the State Museum and take a Capitol tour.



Some of my friends will enter the building through the garage because there are no stairs. The adult with me will decide which entrance will be best for me and my friends.



We will go through a security checkpoint. This is to make sure the building is a safe place for everyone.

There may be a line, so we will wait patiently for a few minutes.

The Capitol Police officers are great friends!



Friendly staff will greet us when we get to the museum tour desk.

They are happy to help me and answer questions.



Many people work in and visit the museum.

Running could hurt people or exhibits in the building.

I choose to walk safely.



We always use an “inside” voice in the museum and Capitol hallways. Whispering is a great way to talk to my friends and be respectful to others.



Sometimes there are special events in the Capitol. It can be very noisy and crowded. If I am feeling upset or afraid, I will tell the adult with me. Maybe we can find a quiet place to rest until I feel better.



We can take the stairs or an elevator to get around the building.

If we take the elevator, we may have to wait a few minutes. It could be crowded inside.

There are restrooms located in the outer hallways on each floor.

There is a family restroom in the basement near the cafe.



The museum has exhibits about people, animals, jobs, artwork and many other things. There are some interactive exhibits, too!



My friends and I may be going on a tour of the Capitol. I will listen when someone is speaking to us. Some tour guides will ask if we have questions. I can ask a question if I want.





The tour will take about 45 minutes. If I am patient and listen, I will learn great things about Missouri.

When it is time to go, we will exit the building. The exit is just around the corner from the security checkpoint. Some of my friends might exit through the garage. An adult with me will decide the best exit to use.





**I plan to have a great visit to
the Missouri State Museum
and Missouri State Capitol.**

Additional Information for My Adult

The Missouri State Museum is inside the Missouri State Capitol. The Capitol houses government offices, the chambers of the state's General Assembly, and is often a location for rallies and events. It can be noisy and chaotic, especially during the session of the General Assembly. The General Assembly meets from early January through mid-May.

The museum and Capitol are typically quieter on weekends throughout the year, especially on Sundays. Summertime is also quieter, but may have busy days or times during the week. To help plan your visit, you can call the Museum's tour desk number 573-751-4127 between 9:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. to ask about the day's tours or events.

A quiet corner:

Currently, there are no designated quiet rooms in the Capitol. There are some quieter places throughout the building. Some suggestions:

- Restrooms on the third and fourth floors.
- Family restroom in basement near the cafe (west end).
- Restroom in the basement-level elevator lobby on east end of the Capitol.