



Cultural Connections

Exploring Jewish Life and Culture

A guided tour for students grades 1-8

Program Description

The Jewish Children's Museum is the first and only fully-interactive Jewish museum created for and geared towards children. Through multi-media technology, the varied textures of Jewish history, values, and culture come to life.

Our newest program, "Cultural Connections," is geared for Public School students, introducing them to a colorful array of customs and traditions in the Jewish culture. Experienced museum educators will guide students as they step back in time to explore the Jewish holiday cycle in a quaint, cobblestoned village. Students will shop in a kid-sized Kosher supermarket, press olive oil for the Hanukkah menorah, and crawl through the world's largest challah-bread.

As students examine the roots and basis for many Jewish customs, they will recognize manners of conduct that stand at the root of practices found in other cultures around the world.

Program Specifics

- Available October 2018 – June 2019.
- Monday – Thursday tours begin at 10:15 a.m.
- Program runs for two hours.
- Group Rate: \$7.50 per student.
- One chaperone is admitted free of charge for every ten students.
- Lunch facilities are available for group tours.
- New York City Public Schools may be eligible for a Public School Initiative grant covering student admission to the Museum.

Curriculum Standards

This program aligns to the following NYS learning standards:

ELA 1, 3, 4. MST 7.
SS 2, 5. ARTS 4.

Requirements for Grant Approval

The JCM Public School Initiative provides a grant to NYC Public School students, allowing them free admission to the Jewish Children's Museum. One chaperone for every ten students is also admitted free of charge.

Schools receiving the Public School Initiative grant are required to do the following:

- Use pre-visit teacher's guides to prepare students for a Museum visit.
- Complete and submit teacher post-visit survey.
- Complete and submit student post-visit survey.
- Complete and submit at least one post-visit activity.

Participating schools are provided with pre-addressed, postage-paid envelopes to mail the surveys and activities to the Museum.



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