

School Field Trip Visit to the Chicago History Museum

Dear Parent/Guardian:

The teacher(s) from _____ have made arrangements for a class field trip to the Chicago History Museum on _____. With your permission, your child will accompany the class.

The current exhibitions at the Chicago History Museum include:

- **Chicago: Crossroads of America** – Highlights include Chicago’s first ‘L’ car, artifacts from the Great Chicago Fire, work by the city’s famous architects, and a recreated jazz and blues club.
- **Facing Freedom** – This exhibition explores eight stories from the nation’s past that illustrate some of the ways Americans have struggled over the meaning of freedom.
- **Imagining Chicago: the Dioramas** – Seven miniature scenes portray 100 years of Chicago’s history, from its beginnings as a frontier outpost to the bustling city that hosted the 1893 World’s Fair.
- **Sensing Chicago** – Students use their five senses to learn about the city as they ride a high-wheel bicycle, hear a jazz band, and become a Chicago-style hot dog.
- **My Chinatown (through Jan. 2 2012)** – In a lively multimedia experience, students will discover this vibrant neighborhood and its residents.
- **Lincoln Park Block by Block** – Explore the history and culture of Lincoln Park through unusual artifacts and their fascinating stories.
- **Out in Chicago (recommended for high school students)** – One of a continuing series focusing on Chicago’s neighborhoods and communities, this exhibition examines the history of the city’s lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgendered (LGBT) community in Chicago.

For more information about school field trips, visit the Museum’s website at <http://www.chicagohistory.org/fieldtrip>.

Please sign below to grant permission and return this entire form.

Student Name (please print)

Parent/Guardian signature

Date