

The West End as a Classroom Frequently Asked Questions

1. What is The West End as a Classroom program?

The West End as a Classroom program is an initiative between the Dallas Holocaust Museum/Center for Education and Tolerance, The Old Red Museum of Dallas County History & Culture and The Sixth Floor Museum at Dealey Plaza. This partnership encourages school visits to history museums in Dallas' West End Historic District by offering a discounted ticket opportunity on selected days in the school year. An optional curriculum focusing on leaders through history is available which can assist the educator in linking the content of all three museums.

2. How do I schedule the program?

Contact The Sixth Floor Museum's Group Sales Coordinator Ken Crump at 214-747-6660, ext. 5536 or email grouptours@jfk.org. Ken can coordinate scheduling availability for all three museums and confirm your arrangements.

3. What is the maximum number of participants a school can bring as part of this program?

The maximum number of participants per school is 300.

4. How much time is required to tour all three museums?

A minimum of 3 hours is required to visit all three museums. We encourage schools to allow at least 4 hours in the West End.

5. What is the schedule for visiting all three museums?

A rotation schedule will be provided for you after you have scheduled your visit. This rotation will be determined based on your arrival times, number in your group and other groups scheduled to visit the museums that day.

6. Where will my students have lunch?

The West End has many lunch options, all within safe and easy walking distance of the museums. Please ask for information when scheduling your tour.

7. Can I arrange a talk by a Holocaust survivor when visiting the Dallas Holocaust Museum (as part of the West End as a Classroom program)?

Yes, it is possible to schedule a talk by a Holocaust survivor, depending on how much time you have and other considerations. Please ask about this when scheduling your tour.

8. How much does the program cost?

The cost of the program is \$11 per person, and includes entry to all three museums. Because this is a discounted admission price, chaperones do not receive free admission.

9. How do I pay for the program?

Advance pre-payment ensures the most efficient, most successful experience for your group. The West End as a Classroom program accepts checks, credit cards or cash. Checks should be made out to The Sixth Floor Museum at Dealey Plaza.

10. Where should we go upon arrival?

Unless you have made special arrangements with Ken Crump—the Group Sales Coordinator who has confirmed your visit—the group leader should report to The Sixth Floor Museum at Dealey Plaza to finalize payment fifteen minutes before your first rotation is scheduled to begin. (Only the group leader is required for this. Students and other teachers can remain on the bus or report to the first rotation.)

11. What happens if my group arrives late?

Because of the logistics involved with this program, late arrivals may forfeit a part of the experience. Please plan to arrive 15 minutes before the scheduled program time to coordinate admission details.

12. Can I take DART to the West End?

Yes, DART is an excellent, cost-effective way to travel to the West End. Please ask for more information when scheduling your visit.

13. What is the Leaders in History curriculum?

The Leaders in History curriculum is an optional curriculum that includes lesson plan ideas and biographical materials related to individuals introduced at all three museums. It is an optional curriculum, but provides a thematic connection between the historical events examined at the three institutions. The curriculum is available in PDF format, and will be sent as part of the confirmation package.

14. When is the West End as a Classroom program available?

The Leaders in History program is offered on selected Mondays and Tuesdays from September-January. Availability is on a first come, first served basis.

June 13, 14, 20, 21 and 27
July 11, 12, 18 and 19
September 19, 20, 26 and 27
October 3, 4, 10, 11, 17, 18, 24
November 7, 8, 14 and 15
December 12, 19 and 20
January 9, 23 and 30