With more than 30 historic structures, this 800-acre outdoor museum and Revolutionary War battlefield spans more than 200 years of Carolina Piedmont past and is a premier living history museum. Educational programs take students back in time and focus on rural Southern life from the dawn of the nation through Reconstruction. A shaded picnic area, hiking trails, and a gift shop are also available to you and your students.

**SHEEP AND SHEARS** PreK – 1st Grade · $6 per student, 60 – 75 minutes
What happens to all that wool once the sheep get a haircut? Students will learn how wool begins as fleece on the sheep and ends up as a finished garment that people can wear. They will enjoy a storyline presentation that summarizes the process, and they will get to card, spin, or weave wool as it was done long ago. They will also get to meet our Gulf Coast sheep!

**EARLY TO RISE** PreK – 2nd Grade · $6 per student, 60 minutes
What was it like to wake up on the Bratton's antebellum cotton plantation? Students will get to experience waking up in the plantation house and in an enslaved house, smelling breakfast in the plantation kitchen, and helping with the morning chores in the barnyard. Students will be able to draw comparisons and contrasts between morning routines then and now.

**HISTORIC BRATTONSVILLE ACADEMY: SCHOOLDAYS of 1840**
3rd & 4th Grade · $10 per student, 4 1/2 hours · Max. Attendance: 25 students plus 2 adults
From the minute the school bell rings, students become scholars in Dr. Bratton's 1840 academy. In this highly immersive program, they walk, talk, learn, and play as elite children did in the 19th century. Students will use slates and slate pencils, write with quill pens, and play historic games. The program concludes with a guided tour of the Bratton plantation.

**THE BACKCOUNTRY IN REVOLT: A REVOLUTIONARY WAR EXPERIENCE** 3rd – 5th Grade · $6 per student, 90 minutes
Loyalist or Patriot? The choice is yours! Students will learn how men and women, both enslaved and free, were drawn to both sides of the Revolutionary War in the Carolina Piedmont. Costumed interpreters will train them for the militia and teach them about the Battle of Hucks's Defeat, a battle fought on Historic Brattonsville’s property. Students will have to decide which side of the war they support and sign an oath of allegiance. (Students will use wooden toy muskets in this program).

**LIFE ON THE PLANTATION** 3rd – 5th Grade · $6 per student, 90 minutes
Who lived on Dr. John Bratton’s antebellum cotton plantation? While students explore the 1840s farm, costumed interpreters will teach them about the people who lived and worked there. Students will visit the plantation home, the slave quarters and more to understand the different social classes that kept a plantation running in the antebellum Carolina Piedmont. (Students may experience conversations with a historical figure from 1840, cotton activities, operation of the historic cotton gin, or touring our barnyard, among other demonstrations).

**LIFE ON THE PLANTATION PLUS**
3rd – 5th Grade · $10 per student, 3 hours (including lunch)
Students will experience the full life on the plantation program. Then, following lunch, they will revisit the plantation. Costumed interpreters will take them to explore some lesser-known people who called the Bratton plantation home.

**THE DAY IT RAINED MILITIA: THE REVOLUTION IN SOUTH CAROLINA**
6th – 12th Grade · $6 per student, 90 minutes
For this in-depth look at the American Revolution in South Carolina, costumed interpreters will lead students to discover the broad impact of the war; how it affected civilians and the enslaved, how it became a brutal civil war, and ultimately, how it turned the tide of the Southern Campaign. This program will culminate with a guided tour of the Hucks's Defeat Battlefield, a battle fought on Historic Brattonsville’s property. (Students will use wooden toy muskets in this program).

**WHITE GOLD: COTTON, THE GIN, AND AGRICULTURE IN ANTEBELLUM SOUTH CAROLINA**
6th – 12th Grade · $6 per student, 90 minutes
Thanks to Eli Whitney's cotton gin, cotton was king in the antebellum South. So what did this new technology mean for people in the Brattonsville community? Students will learn about the cotton gin itself, along with its direct impact on the structure of the plantation and the institution of slavery. But since the influence of cotton did not stop there, students will also learn how the new invention transformed both national and international economies. Students may experience plantation house tours, cotton activities, operation of the historic cotton gin, or touring our barnyard, among other demonstrations.

**A COUNTY ON FIRE: RECONSTRUCTION IN THE CAROLINA PIEDMONT**
6th – 12th Grade · $6 per student, 90 minutes
After the Civil War and the end of slavery, the Reconstruction Period was defined by the struggle for civil rights. This era was especially difficult for York County, South Carolina. Students will learn how in the new 13th, 14th, and 15th Amendments caused conflict with York County’s old social order. What would be the consequences of this new way of life? (Students will use wooden toy muskets in this program).

**BACKCOUNTRY IN REVOLT + LIFE ON THE PLANTATION COMBO**
3rd – 5th Grade
**THE DAY IT RAINED MILITIA + WHITE GOLD COMBO**
6th – 12th Grade
Experience two programs on the same day: $12 per student · 3 ½ hours (including lunch)

**PROGRAM AVAILABILITY & PRICING**
PROGRAMS MAY BE SCHEDULED TUESDAY – FRIDAY, 9:30 AM – 4 PM. PROGRAM FEES AND LENGTHS ARE LISTED NEXT TO EACH PROGRAM. CHAPERONES WILL PAY THE STUDENT RATE.
Museum of York County

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Focusing on the natural history of the region in which we live, learners are invited to experience the Carolina Piedmont and its connections to the rest of the world. The Museum is home to the Naturalist Center Lab with more than 2,300 specimens, the Settlemyre Planetarium featuring out-of-this-world programs, changing exhibitions and more.

**Mammoth changes underway!** Due to construction, the Elephant Hall will be closed until 2020 and self-guided opportunities may not be available.

**TOURS & PROGRAMS**
Tours include several galleries in the museum; programs take place in a classroom space and may use the hands-on Naturalist Center Lab.

**ANIMAL DISCOVERY TOUR** Pre K–K & 2nd Grade • 30–50 min
Designed to introduce young visitors to the main galleries of the museum and its amazing natural history collection, this tour shares how animals use their body parts to obtain food, protect themselves and move about.

**ECOSYSTEM EXPLORATION TOUR** 2nd, 3rd, 5th & 7th Grade** • 50 min
Observe how interactions within the ecosystem, such as climate, human activity and availability of food and water affect plants and animals in African and Piedmont environments. NEW Hands-on components added, enhancing vocabulary in this program.

**THE SUN’S FAMILY PROGRAM** 1st & 4th Grade • 30–50 min
Orbiting, bending, and tilting, children will learn about the movements of Sun, Earth and Moon as they create a human model of the inner Solar System and learn how technology has allowed us to study space. Additionally, fourth graders will model the regular and predictable motion of objects in the inner Solar System, learn about the gas giant planets and more.

**CLASSES WITH A NATURALIST CENTER LAB**
Classes include a hands-on, interactive lab exercise with real specimens. Please plan extra time to visit the rest of the museum’s galleries and exhibits.

**ANIMAL COVERINGS** K & 2nd Grade** • 50 min
This interactive class encourages students to examine hands-on specimens while comparing how animals use teeth, wings, claws, shells, fur and other body structures to survive. Students will learn how scientists classify animals by describing their physical characteristics.

**EARTH’S NATURAL RESOURCES** 1st & 3rd Grade • 50 min
Earth materials are natural resources. Using maps, students learn about water resources in South Carolina. Through demonstration, students observe how water movement shapes and changes the land and investigate differences between mineral and rock specimens, discovering that they use every day come from the Earth.

**AWESOME ANIMAL ADAPTATIONS** 2nd, 4th & 6th Grade** • 50 min
Explore the structural adaptations that allow animals to obtain resources and survive in their distinct environments. Students investigate nocturnal animals’ super-senses; use critical thinking skills and animal characteristics to classify specimens as vertebrate or invertebrate; and encounter the diversity of mammal tooth structure.

**DOWN DEEP IN THE EARTH** 3rd, 5th & 8th Grade** • 50 min
Students observe live earthquake data, model the rock cycle and use tests and tools to identify rocks and minerals as they learn about how the Earth is constantly changing through natural processes.

*Naturalist Center Lab specimens may vary based on SC/NC science standards or grade level.

**FEATURED SETTLEMYRE PLANETARIUM PROGRAMS**
All planetarium shows include a look at the current night sky and identification of celestial objects. This live presentation can include content that will reinforce classroom activities, so be sure to let the scheduler know what your students are studying when you make reservations. For the main part of the planetarium experience, choose between these recorded programs. For additional programs beyond our featured ones and for applicable SC and NC Academic Standards, contact the scheduler. Max: 50 total per show

**BIG BIRD’S ADVENTURE: ONE WORLD, ONE SKY** Preschool – 1st Grade
Big Bird, Elmo and their friend from China, take viewers on a journey of discovery to learn about the Big Dipper, the North Star and the Sun. Take a trip to the Moon and see how it’s different from Earth.

**THE ACCIDENTAL ASTRONAUTS** K – 3rd Grade
Follow the adventures of Cy and Annie as they embark on an unexpected journey into space. Explore the Earth, Sun and Moon system with a wise-cracking spaceship computer. See an asteroid crash into the Moon. Bounce on the lunar surface and gain a new appreciation of our home planet.

**PERFECT LITTLE PLANET** 2nd – 6th Grade
Discover our Solar System through a new set of eyes – a family from another star seeking the perfect vacation spot. Fly over the surface of dwarf planet Pluto, sail through the rings of Saturn and walk on the surface of Mars.

**COSMIC COLORS** 4th – 8th Grade
Take a journey across the entire electromagnetic spectrum. Discover the many reasons for color – like why the sky is blue and why Mars is red. Investigate x-rays by voyaging to a black hole and then back to your doctor’s office. Get ready for an amazing adventure under a rainbow of cosmic light.

**WEATHER: WONDERS & MYSTERIES REVEALED** 4th – 12th Grade
This show explores fascinating weather phenomena found on planet Earth. Topics include the water cycle, seasons, clouds and cloud types, thunderstorms, hurricanes, tornadoes, space weather and more.

**NEW! CAPCOM GO! THE APOLLO STORY** 4th – 12th Grade
A program that showcases the achievements of the Apollo missions and what it took to put the first human on the Moon. Learn about the immense challenges the Apollo astronauts overcame.

NEW! Ice Age Carolinas: Exploring our Pleistocene Past
Programs will debut in the 2020-2021 school year! Want a preview?
Save your seat, at our Teachers Only Workshop on Saturday, January 18, 2020
10 am – 2 pm, (free; lunch included) by emailing: scheduler@cmmuseums.org.
Main Street Children’s Museum

At the Museum of York County

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The Main Street Children’s Museum suffered extensive water damage and unfortunately, very little of the interior - including the exhibits - was able to be salvaged. Our team is working diligently to bring this spectacular space back to life. Our most popular school/group program will be offered at the Museum of York County. Stay tuned for exciting opening news in 2020.

IN THE WOODS Ages 3 and older

What animals will we find in the forest today? In the Woods features woodland stories, movement, music, arts and crafts. Students will track animals through the museum, enjoy a woodland themed storyline and make their own animal track art. After the program ends, students can continue their forest adventure by exploring the museum with their group.

IMAGINATION UNDER CONSTRUCTION

School Group Information

RESERVATIONS

Contact the Scheduler at 803.981.9182 or 877.369.2250. Monday – Friday between 9 am – 4 pm or email scheduler@chmuseums.org. Reservations must be made a month prior to your visit.

HOURS

Groups may visit beginning at 9 am Tuesday through Friday.

TEACHERS / CHAPERONES

Student supervision is the responsibility of the school staff at all times during your visit to the all museum sites. Adult chaperones are welcome to attend with your group and are charged the student rate. We do ask for advance registration for adult chaperones due to limited seating in programs. Museum membership does not include school tours and programs.

CONFIRMATIONS

At least one month prior to your scheduled field trip you will receive a confirmation letter and a general information sheet. You will also receive a reminder of your field trip via email a week before your scheduled visit. Please call the scheduler immediately if your confirmation letter is incorrect or if you do not receive this information. Please bring your confirmation letter with you on your visit. Note: If you do not receive a confirmation letter, your group is NOT booked.

PAYMENT

Payment is due upon arrival. A minimum of 24 hours is required for cancellation or you will be charged a cancellation fee based upon admission and your reserved programs. School Groups with less than 15 students will be charged regular museum admission and program fees for a minimum of 15 students. (No cancellation fee will be charged if your school is closed due to weather).

FOOD & DRINK

Food and beverages are NOT permitted in the Museums. Picnic areas are available on a first-come, first-served basis at Historic Brattonsville, and the Museum of York County. Local parks with picnic areas are within driving distance of Main Street Children’s Museum.

GIFT SHOPS

Unique and fun items are available for sale at our Gift Shops. Don’t have time to shop? Tell the Scheduler at the time of your reservation and we’ll work with you to pre-bag items for your visit.

Note: CHM program schedules and prices subject to change.