



## 2025-26 School Tours, Programs and Field Trips

### Guided Programs: (One Program per group)

Museum staff leads class programs that tie into your curriculum. Download curriculum from our website.

**Farm Life: 1880s Style**- K-3rd Grades Learn about the tools, crops and chores that were part of an 1880s farm.

**Daily Life: 1870s City Living**- K-3rd Grades Participate in common chores, games and manners of 1870s city children.

**Cowboys & Cattle** 3rd-4th Grades Learn about the diverse cowboys who made Wichita a booming "Cowtown."

#### **Becoming Wichita: Immigrants, Inventions & Capitalists**

3rd-4th Grades Learn how diverse peoples worked with new tools, and men with ideas, to create a town on the prairie.

**The Talking Wire** 3rd-4th Grades Learn basic electricity, how the Telegraph worked and changed Wichita - Next Gen. Science Standards - 25 students max.

**Working Smarter In The 1870s** K, 2nd, 3rd Grades Define and experiment with simple machines, then identify them throughout the town. - Next Gen. Science Standards - 25 students. max.

### On The Road—November to March

We come to your school and take students back to the past. These single class programs last 1 hour .

**Readin', Writin' & Recitation** - 1st-4th Grades Take your students back in time through lessons and exercises of the 1870's.

**Cowpokes and Trail Drives** – 3rd-4th Grades Ride the trail to the past to experience the boredom and dangers of a cattle drive.

**Manners and Marbles** – 1st-3rd Grades Discover some of the games and etiquette from life when Wichita was young.

**Headin' West**— 3rd-4th Grades Discover the hardships and challenges on the trail and what it took to start Wichita on the prairie.

Consider pairing a trip to **Old Cowtown Museum** with a trip to **Botanica**. We are right across the street from each other! Save bus money and meet your grade objectives! Call either organization to start the process! Botanica—(316) 264-0448

**Reserving your Field Trip:** Registration is required two weeks prior for all programs.

Call 350-3317, or use the online form at <http://www.oldcowtown.org/Pages/Registration.aspx>

**On-site Programming Prices:** \$4/student for one program or tour, or \$5/student for a program and tour.

Title I schools: \$2/student for one program or tour or \$3/student for a program and a tour.

\*One chaperone for every 10 children is admitted free of charge.

\*All programs are two-hours unless otherwise noted.

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**Bus Scholarship - Historic Wichita Cowtown, Inc.** will provide up to **\$150** per bus for field trip transportation On a first-come first-served basis. Indicate the desire to use this money at the time of reservation.

### Self-Guided Tours:

These "at your own pace" tours tie into your curriculum. Visit our website to download a curriculum package and tour books.

**Community Helpers**- K-2nd Grades Contrast occupations of the 1870s and what replaced them in modern times.

**Children: Town and Country**-3rd-4th Grades Compare city life with life on an 1880s farm and decide who had it easier.

### **Working Together to make a Town Work**– 3rd-4th Grades

Find out how working together to provide basic goods and services was needed to keep the town alive.

**All Around Town**– 5th– 7th Grades Taking the role of towns-people, students find the basics about the town that any 1870s citizen would need to know.

**Teaching in the One Room School:** Be an 1870s teacher for half a day in a one-room school house.

### Special Programs:

**Harvest of Progress: A County Fair Education Day** October 3, 2025. Explore the sights, sounds and smells of an 1870s County Fair. [See back of flyer](#)

### **Christmas In A One Room School** -K-8th Grades

December - Teach your class in a school decorated for Christmas.

### **A Glimpse Of Christmas Past**-K-5th Grades

December - Participate in holiday preparations that include Kitchen arts, paper crafts, Christmas carols and a nativity scene.

**The Kansas Character** 2nd-3rd Grades—January - State symbols and folk characters reveal "Kansas Character."

**Ad Astra Per Aspera** 3rd-4th Grades -January -Explore the struggle it took to create the state of Kansas.



# A County Fair Education Day

Where students come to learn, experience and participate in the 1870s.

**MANY HANDS-ON OPPORTUNITIES!**

Contrast modern living by examining technology and processes from over 100 yrs. ago!

1870S

## SKILLS & CRAFTS

Quilting!

Rope making!

Blacksmithing!

Candle making!

Carpentry!

Chair Caning!

Corn Grinding!

Flour Milling!

Wool Spinning!

Weaving!

Bread Baking!

Corn Shelling

Target Shooting!

&

Much More!

Games  
of

Skill & Chance

October 2, 2026

2 Hour Sessions!

Morning

or

Afternoon

Reservations  
Required!!!

Students - \$6.00

Teachers &

Chaperones

FREE!!!

1865 W. Museum Blvd

Wichita, KS 67203

Reservations:

350-3317

Or register online at:

[www.oldcowtown.org](http://www.oldcowtown.org)

ENTERTAINMENT

FOR ALL AGES!

Music and Magic!

Judging Contests

Spelling Bees!

1870s Toys !

Sack Race!

1870s Music!

And More!

Don't delay!  
This event fills  
up fast!

