

BIRTHDAY PARTIES AT THE BAKKEN MUSEUM

Thank you for choosing to visit The Bakken Museum. Please review the following recommendations to ensure that your visit goes smoothly. We look forward to hosting your group!

Arrival

- The party host family may arrive up to 15 minutes prior to the start of the party.
- Birthday party guests should use the entrance to the birthday party room marked with balloons located on 36th street, adjacent to the museum lobby entrance.

Party Format

Bakken educators will be on hand to work with your group for portions of your party.

- 25 minute educator-led demonstrations
- 15 minute educator-led project
- 30 minutes guided museum time
 - The educator will walk with your group to multiple exhibits and explain the hands-on activities available. Chaperones are responsible for helping facilitate museum appropriate behavior amongst the group while in the exhibit spaces.
 - Museum appropriate behavior includes no horse play, no running, no yelling, playing with hands-on exhibits only in the way they are meant to be used, and not bringing food or drinks out of the classrooms.
- 15 minutes cake/food time
 - The chaperones and adults are responsible for the party during this time. There will still be museum staff in the room but will not be facilitating any activities.

Adults and Chaperones

To make the party as successful as possible, we appreciate assistance from all adults in attendance.

Adults are asked to:

- Lead by example by following instructions given by the educator during the demonstrations.
- Provide hands-on assistance during project time.
- Maintain museum appropriate behavior amongst the group while in the exhibit spaces.
 - Museum appropriate behavior includes no horseplay, no running, no yelling, playing with hands-on exhibits only in the way they are meant to be used, and no food or drinks outside of the classrooms.
- Supervise all party guests during cake/food time.
- Assist with departure by gathering belongings at the designated end time.

Departure

- The host family has 15 minutes after the party to gather their belongings from the classroom.
- All guests are asked to leave through the same door they entered, located on 36th street.
- Any guests wishing to return to visit the museum must reenter through the main museum entrance and pay a discounted admittance rate of \$5 (adults and children).

Please let us know if you have any questions about the information listed above and we look forward to working with your birthday party at The Bakken Museum!

