

Student Days Helpful Hints

To enhance your visit and your students' time at the festival, we offer the following rules and guidelines. We ask your cooperation so that Student Days is a pleasant experience for all.

1. Anticipate a combination of educational and entertainment activities at the Festival for students. This mixture of events and demonstrations will help give the students a proper perspective of what a marketplace celebration was like in the Renaissance era.
2. Your scheduled plans should include time for students to view the many crafts and demonstrations throughout the village. These are not all listed in the show schedule, as they run at a variety of times and locations throughout the day. Students can see living history demonstrations, glass blowing, blacksmiths and more.
3. Admission to the Festival includes all entertainment, educational programs and craft demonstrations. Games, rides, crafts, food and beverages are additional cost factors. Food items run from \$1-\$9 each, games & rides are \$2-\$10 each.
4. A ratio of 1 adult CHAPERONE to 8 students is required. Teachers and chaperones must stay with your students at all times and we suggest that students, teachers and chaperones wear name tags with your school name included. If you purchase your tickets before the advance registration deadline, the chaperone tickets for this ratio are FREE.
5. The Information Booth (just outside the front gate) is where lost and found items are stored.
6. The Festival operates rain or shine. If the weather is questionable, please feel free to call us at 520-463-2600 the day before or the morning of the field trip. If we have to cancel due to severe inclement weather, we will re-schedule the trip for the following week. THIS HAS NEVER HAPPENED ON STUDENT DAYS, but we need to have a contingency plan.
7. Please DO NOT HAVE YOUR STUDENTS SEEK AUTOGRAPHS from the Festival participants. Unfortunately, this inhibits the performance time of our entertainers.
8. First Aid is available for emergencies and is attended by an EMT. It is located at the back of the Festival site, near the Joust Arena. Any staff member will direct you to the location. Please provide a cell phone number on your reservation form so we may reach you if a student has an emergency while visiting. If assistance is needed: Look for festival staff members carrying a black radio, Police Officers or festival Security Staff wearing yellow shirts and carrying yellow flags.
9. To enable the students to hear the shows that are on stage, we ask that you go over some simple show-watching rules with your students, as most of our shows are not sound amplified.
10. Please inform students that shoplifting is a serious offense and will not be tolerated. Violators will be prosecuted.
11. For identification purposes, we strongly recommend *all grade school students wear a tag with their name & school information - if available a cell number for chaperone or teacher.*

Rules to Remember:

- ✓ **Please use your indoor voice at all times, don't talk to your friends in the audience. Please pay attention.**
- ✓ **Please be courteous to the performers & entertainers.**
- ✓ **Please remember that performers are people just like you. Treat them just as you would like to be treated.**

Copies of these "Helpful Hints" should be provided to all chaperones before attending the Festival.

Thank You for participating in Student Days at the Arizona Renaissance Festival!