



Inspiring all girls to be strong, smart, and bold

Girls Inc. of Greater Lowell 2017 Summer Field Trips

Week One: Fearless Females – Wednesday, June 28

Historical Salem, MA

Bus departs at 9:00 am.

This week the girls will study women who persevered under the most extreme persecution. Today, they will rotate through three of Salem’s most famous exhibits: The Witch History Museum, The Witch Dungeon and The Pirate Museum. As they travel through the museums, they will see period-accurate displays, live performances and learn the stories of the women in our neighboring city who faced down a fearful, patriarchal colony.

Your day kit should contain: sunscreen, sneakers and plenty of water.



Week Two: Game Changer Girls - Wednesday, July 5

Sports Clinic On-Site at Girls Inc.

Girls will be on-site all day.

The girls will stay at Girls Inc. today and explore the influence women and girls have had in sports throughout history. They will have an extra long lunch with a Fourth of July Cook Out in our backyard. In the afternoon they will rotate through a series of stations to get a full body work out.

Your day kit should contain: Sunscreen, drinking water and sneakers.



Week Three: Island Explorers - Wednesday, July 12

George’s Island, Boston Harbor

Bus departs at 8:30 am.

This week, the girls will visit the Civil War era fort on George’s Island. The girls will travel by ferry across Boston Harbor to reach Fort Warren, a National Historical Landmark. Once there, olders will travel the haunted tunnels in search of the islands famed “Lady in Black” and youngers will explore the island for its unique ecological and environmental features.

Your day kit should contain: Sunscreen, drinking water and sneakers.

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Week Four: Young, Wild and Free - Wednesday, July 19

Bear Brook State Park, Allenstown, NH

Bus departs at 9:00 a.m.

Members will travel to Bear Brook State Park for a morning of group games followed by lunch on the pavilion overlooking the lake. After lunch, members will have a choice to participate in an easy nature walk or a more challenging hike to explore the wild, or they can splash in the lake and play water games on the beach.

Your day kit should contain: sunscreen, sneakers, bathing suit, extra clothes and drinking water.

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Week Five: History's Mysteries - Wednesday, July 26

Harvard Museum of Natural History, Cambridge, MA

Bus departs at 9:00 a.m.

At this wondrous museum, members will traverse the paths of history and evolution. It is a truly one of a kind experience, with no other museum in the New England Region like it. As the girls move through the past and unlock the mysteries of life, they will view exhibits like Cenozoic Mammals- the first mammals to live after the extinction of the dinosaurs. Members will see the Anthropods Exhibit featuring hands-on activities, dramatic specimen displays, colorful video and graphics, and even live animals. With so many exhibits and such a large space, each group will be challenged to view them all, in a single day!

Your day kit should contain: sneakers, and drinking water.

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Week Six: Act Out and Speak Up - THURSDAY, August 3

Palace Theatre: *The Little Mermaid*, Manchester, NH

Bus departs at 8:30 a.m.

Today the girls will learn the value of their voices, when they travel to Manchester's Palace Theatre to see their production of *The Little Mermaid*, the story of a young mermaid who gives her voice away to find true love. After watching the show in the morning, they will return to Girls Inc. for lunch and each group will script and produce their own original dramatic piece that emphasizes our Speak Up theme this week.

Your day kit should contain: Nothing special needed for this trip!



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NOTICE: THIS FIELD TRIP IS ON THURSDAY!

Week Seven: The Power of Play - Wednesday, August 9

OLDERS: Museum of Science- Boston, MA (Groups 5-8)



Bus departs at 9:00 a.m.

The older girls will head to Boston to discover the awesome wonders of the Museum of Science. With its mission to stimulate interest in and further understanding of the natural sciences and technology, its exhibits encourage learning through hands on and engaging interaction. Groups will have the opportunity to view the lightning show (with audience participation), walk through The Hall of Human Life- with more than 70 interactive components to interactively engage visitors with their own biology, and explore space in a full size model of the Apollo and Mercury capsules.

Your day kit should contain: drinking water and good walking shoes.

YOUNGERS: Boston Children's Museum- Boston, MA (Groups 1-4)



Bus departs at 9:00 a.m.

The younger girls will be visiting the famous Boston Children's Museum. Four floors packed with fun and engaging hands-on activities! Your daughters will experience rock climbing, explore in a science playground, visit different cultural lifestyles, and meet the famous Arthur and his little sister D.W. This year the girls will get an extra special treat in the Explore-A-Saurus Exhibit: a new addition to the museum that allows visitors to assume the role of a paleontologist and explore the world of dinosaurs.

Your day kit should contain: drinking water and good walking shoes.

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Week Eight: Animal Escapades - Wednesday, August 16

OLDERS: Blue Hills Trailside Museum- Milton, MA (Groups 5-8)



Bus departs at 8:30 a.m.

At the Blue Hillside Trail Museum, the opportunities to explore the animal world are endless. Girls will view the museums exhibits, including a live animal exhibit with local wildlife, and a Hall of Time that depicts the effects of human populations on the environment over time. They

will then hike out to the pond with the museum staff for their Pond Explorers Programs. Girls will get the chance to observe tadpoles, minnows and turtles and test the water for pollutants that could harm the ecological system.

Your day kit should contain: sunscreen, drinking water and good walking shoes, extra shoes and socks, an extra change of clothes and plenty of drinking water.

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Youngers: Capron State Park Zoo- Attleboro, MA (Groups 1-4)

Bus departs at 9:00 a.m.

This little zoo is a gem and features animals from all over the globe, from the tropical rainforests of the Amazon to the plains of Africa. Seven of its exhibits house animals currently on a species survival plan, including the white lion and lioness and the critically endangered sloth bear. Because of our summer time visit, girls will get to experience seasonal exhibits like the golden lion tamarin and Katelyn's Garden, which houses a kookaburra. We will have lunch in the zoo's picnic area and visit its splash pad park for a fun break from the hot weather.

Your day kit should contain: sunscreen, drinking water, dry clothes, and good walking shoes.

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Week Nine: GIRLS! We Run This World - Wednesday, August 23

Cook Out at Girls Inc.



Girls will be on-site.

As summer comes to a close, we will spend the week on-site celebrating and reflecting on all we learned, all we achieved and all we shared in the past weeks. Each group will make a scrapbook for the Girls Inc. Archives, with each member contributing her own piece and her own memories. Members will have a lunch time cook out (catered by a very special chef) and in the afternoon we will have our Summer Time Stronger, Smarter, Bolder Party. Girls will have the chance to rotate through stations and experience each of Girls Inc.'s eight identity programs, from self defense and personal safety, to financial literacy. Members will end the summer and embark on a new year of school being their strongest, smartest and boldest selves.

*****Please make sure your daughter(s) are here fifteen minutes prior to departure times on field trip days so that they can check in with their group leader and get a lunch. If your daughter(s) misses the bus, she will be unable to stay at Girls Inc. because we will not have accommodations to provide care for her on that day.*****