



Dozin' with the Dinos!

The Field Museum Group Overnights 2008 Season.

Imagine roaming The Field Museum at night!

The lights dim as you and your flashlight explore the rituals of ancient Egyptian culture. Next, you prowl an African savannah with giraffes, hippos, and man-eating lions. Before you know it, you're rubbing elbows with royalty in the Palace in Bamum, Africa. By the end of the night, you are too tired to skin the fish that you and your Inuit friend have caught for breakfast.

Bring your sleeping bag and explore one of the most exciting spots in town! Overnights are a unique opportunity for children 6-12 to spend the night at The Field Museum. The evening begins with a workshop based on a Field Museum exhibition. Afterwards, we will watch a performance, munch on a snack, enjoy late night activities, and explore the Museum's wondrous exhibitions, including *Inside Ancient Egypt* by flashlight. Group Overnights begin at 5:45pm and end the following morning at 9am. No one will be admitted to an Overnight after 8pm.

How Much Does It Cost?

The cost for a Group Overnight is \$47 per person. For every three children, one adult (21 years or older) must attend the overnight as a chaperone. The overnights are for children ages 6-12; please do not bring toddlers or babies with your group. (Please be as exact as possible when stating the total number of participants in your group. Groups that do not utilize all the requested spaces specified on the registration form reduce the opportunity for others to attend an Overnight.)

What should we bring?

Upon registration, you will receive a confirmation letter, a list of things to bring, and an information packet to prepare your group for the Overnight. You can find all of the materials that will be included in your confirmation packet on our Web site at: www.fieldmuseum.org/overnights

What will we eat?

We will provide a late evening snack and continental breakfast. The snack is a light one of cookies, chips, fruit, etc., so we highly recommend eating dinner before you arrive. Do not bring food or beverages into the Museum; vending machines are available. Also, please remember that The Field Museum is smoke-free.

When are they offered?

Overnights are scheduled for the following Fridays in 2008:

January 4	May 9
January 11	May 16
February 15	May 30
February 22	June 27
March 7	October 24
March 14	November 28
April 18	

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How do we register for a Group Overnight?

Each group must have an assigned Group Leader to serve as the liaison to the Museum before and during the event and must be someone who will attend the event and arrive on time. The Group Leader must complete the enclosed registration form and be the contact person with the Museum throughout the planning process. We also ask that the Group Leader arrive on time the night of the Overnight to distribute information to the rest of their group. The number of children and chaperones should not exceed 200 people (maximum 150 children with 50 chaperones). **A minimum 1:3 ratio of chaperones to children is required for all groups, and all chaperones must be at least 21 years old.**

Registration is by mail or fax. The registration card can be downloaded at: <http://www.fieldmuseum.org/overnights>. We will start accepting registrations for 2008 Overnights on August 31st of 2007.

Fax your registration to 312.665.7401 attn: Group Overnights, or mail it to:
The Field Museum—Group Overnights
1400 S. Lake Shore Drive
Chicago, IL 60605-2496

Attach a check or money order or complete the spaces for credit card information. A deposit of \$100 will reserve your spaces for groups of up to 25. For groups of 26–100, please submit 25% of your total amount due to reserve your spaces. For groups of over 100, please submit 50% of your total amount due. Your deposit will be subtracted from the total registration fee for your group. The balance will be due four weeks before your scheduled Overnight. The exact due date will be listed on your confirmation letter. All deposits are non-refundable. **All registrations must include the information for a credit card;** if we have not received your final balance payment by the due date indicated in your confirmation packet, that credit card will be charged your remaining balance amount. Deposits must be charged to a credit card for all faxed registrations.

If your first choice is filled, we will try to place you in your second or third choice. The more flexibility you have with dates, the greater the chance of placing your group in an Overnight.

What if someone cancels?

If a child from your group cancels and you cannot find a replacement, contact the Museum to change your numbers. No refunds will be given for cancellations after the balance due date. If a chaperone cancels, a replacement must be found in order to maintain the 3:1 ratio of children to adults.

To be removed from this mailing list, please send an e-mail to overnights@fieldmuseum.org with “Overnights—Please Remove” in the subject line and your contact info in the body of the message.

Please be aware—there will be no brochure or registration card mailed for the 2009 overnight season, all information will be sent by e-mail. To ensure that you are included in future mailings, please call the overnight hotline at 312.665.7525 and leave your full name and email address to be added to our overnight e-mail list.

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