

## CODE OF CONDUCT FOR THE OHIO STATEHOUSE AND CAPITOL SQUARE

To ensure that all visitors have an enjoyable and educational experience at the Ohio Statehouse, all groups are expected to abide by the Ohio Statehouse Code of Conduct.

- School district staff and adult chaperones are responsible for student behavior throughout your Statehouse visit. <u>Monitoring student behavior and conduct are **not** the responsibility of Statehouse tour guides.
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- Visitors are expected to refrain from any behavior that disturbs others. The Ohio Statehouse is a working office building and the home of the Ohio General Assembly and the Governor of Ohio; proper respect should be shown at all times.
- Visitors are expected to speak at a normal volume; excessive noise will not be tolerated.
- Running is never permitted anywhere inside the Ohio Statehouse.
- Ohio Statehouse property and Statehouse Museum exhibits should be treated with respect. Visitors will be held responsible for damage done to the Ohio Statehouse or the Statehouse Museum.
- Food and drinks are not permitted in either the House or Senate Chambers or the Statehouse Museum at any time.
- Groups are permitted to eat lunch only in the hallway directly off of the Map Room, where
  your tour starts. This hallway is lined with green benches. This space is used on a first
  come first serve basis. Groups may not eat in other areas.
- Groups are welcome to eat outside on the grass or the High Street and Broad Street steps of the building, however groups may not to eat on the steps of open entrances (State & Third Street). Groups may not eat on monuments and memorials.
- The use of stickers of any kind (including stick-on name tags) is prohibited inside the building.
- Failure to adhere to the Ohio Statehouse Code of Conduct could result in your immediate ejection from the Ohio Statehouse and Museum complex by the Ohio Highway Patrol.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation regarding these matters

For more information about your tour visit our website at www.ohiostatehouse.org