
ADMISSIONS POLICY - PRESCHOOL GROUPS

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1. General Terms

Insofar as groups of preschool-age children pose staff and volunteer requirements and logistical challenges similar to those encountered with school-age tours, this admissions fee policy has been proposed and approved for implementation.

The general intent of this policy is to provide an organized and controlled atmosphere for the benefit of both patrons and museum personnel, and to provide partial reimbursement for museum costs incurred as a normal result of any such tour.

2. Policy History

The need for a formal structure was identified by Saskatoon Branch staff during pre-school tours held in concert with the Eaton's Christmas Exhibit and Christmas 1910. The topic was discussed at the Managers' meeting on 8 December 1987 and was given development approval at the 11 December 1987 WDM Board of Directors meeting. The first draft was created at the 8 January 1988 Education Meeting with David Klatt, Leslee Newman, Justine Hodson and Sylvia Cory in attendance. Final consensus was reached at the 17 February 1988 Managers' meeting with David Richeson, Wayne Fennig, Tom Waiser and David Klatt in attendance. In November 2011, the WDM Programming staff provided Joan Champ with updates to admission fees and adult-to-child ratios.

3. Structure

- 3.1 Pre-school (including daycare) groups will be accommodated in a fashion similar to that of school groups.
- 3.2 Tours prebooked will be charged an admission fee of \$1.50 per child.
- 3.3 Tours not prebooked will be charged an admission fee of \$2.25 per child.
- 3.4 An adult supervisor-to-child ratio of 1 to 3 is optimal, but this is negotiable..
- 3.5 Adults within this ratio will be admitted free of charge.
 - 3.6 Each adult in excess of the 1 to 3 (or agreed upon) ratio will be charged the group rate adult (or senior) admission fee.

4. Exclusions

Pre-school children visiting the Museum together with members of their family and not as part of a larger organized daycare or similar group will be admitted free of charge.