Traces, Trails & Tales Student/Youth Experiences



Salt Fork State Park Eco-Discovery Center You will experience an immersive learning adventure alongside the mythical Bigfoot at the Salt Fork State Park Eco-Discovery Center. Inside the center, Bigfoot will act as a character guide throughout the building, highlighting fun facts and teaching visitors how, despite having big feet, Bigfoot's environmental footprint is small. The exhibits will engage visitors in an interactive journey through Salt Fork's forest ecosystem to discover how everything in nature is connected and ends with visitors learning ways they can practice sustainability to protect these valuable connections

and natural resources. Outdoors, visitors will enjoy a patio with seating, a rain garden, meadow plantings, native trees and a trail leading through the habitats and to the lake.

Deerassic Park Education Center focuses on providing youth and families with exceptional outdoor education opportunities. It includes an interactive display in the Welcome Center and the White Tail Deer Hall of Fame.

Plan a holiday a trip to experience **Dickens Victorian Village** and the streets of downtown Cambridge filled with delightful and educational scenes from Charles Dickens' "A Christmas Carol" November 1 – January 1. Don't miss special events and the spectacular holiday light show each evening at the Guernsey County Courthouse.

Experience sitting in an authentic one-room schoolhouse complete with desks slates, chalkboards and a potbelly stove.



Grab a hardhat and lunch pail to learn about our coal area's mining history at the **Guernsey County History Museum**.

Visit the boyhood home of the late John Glenn, astronaut and U.S Senator, and experience 20th Century American History.

The John & Annie Glenn Museum offers a captivating living history experience.

Kennedy's Bakery is the perfect stop for student/family groups to tour through the bakery and learn how cakes are decorated.

Your group will revel in "the Greatest Story Ever Told" at **The Living Word Outdoor Drama**, a non-denominational outdoor theater, depicting the moving and powerful life and ministry of Christ on a spectacular 400-foot panoramic permanent set. A special backstage tour is available for your youth/family groups before the performance. If you can't come during the Living Word season, enjoy a dramatic presentation combined with lunch or dinner while in Cambridge. Join us on August 22, 2025 for Teen/Youth Night (13-19 years of age) will get in to see the show for FREE.



On August 23, 2025 Living Word will hold The Jerusalem Experience. Parents, bring your children to a day of costume making, carpentry, games, food, animals, Shofar lessons and more. It is a day (2-5pm) kids won't forget. This is an event geared toward children and is like an outdoor Vacation Bible School.

The National Road & Zane Grey Museum is a "three for one" stop with three unique displays retelling national and regional history. Students/family groups will learn about our country's first federally funded highway, hear about the locally born author, Zane Grey, and see the display of locally produced art and ceramic pottery.

See the glassmaking process up close with a free tour of **Mosser Glass Factory** or take a hands on tour at the **National Museum of Cambridge Glass** to learn about the types of jobs people had at the glass house nearly 100 years ago. Dress as glassworkers and hold the tools used to manufacture Cambridge Glass.

Spend a morning or afternoon at **The Wilds**, the largest and most innovative wildlife conservation on nearly 10,000 acres. Located near Cambridge, it is home to rare and endangered species from around the world. Board an open-air safari to see and learn about the animals living in open-range habitats. Open daily May-October and by reservation November-April.



The Salt Fork Arts & Crafts Festival is held the second

weekend in August every year in the Cambridge City Park. The park is filled with artists tents, musical performances and tasty concessions. The arts and crafts tent offers attendees an opportunity to make crafts, a perfect family or student activity.



Peters Creek S-bridge is a perfect place to learn about the National Road, An All American Scenic Byway. Historic stone arch bridges, called S- bridges derive their name from the sharply curving approaches to the span. The Peters Creek S-Bridge was built in 1829 with well cut sandstone. Floods of traffic used this bridge on the Old National Road that headed for the western frontier.



This and other itineraries can be found on VisitGuernseyCounty.com





Cambridge City Park

1203 N 8th Street, Cambridge, Ohio 43725

740-432-3287

tgibson@CambridgeOh.org

Contact: Tim Gibson

*Schedule 60 days in advance for use of picnic shelters at the City Park.

Fee-Yes

Deerassic Park Education Center

14250 Cadiz Road (US22), Cambridge, Ohio 43725

740-435-3335

Dana@Deerassic.com Contact: Dana R. Launder

*Tours may be scheduled May-early July by appointment.

Fee- Yes

(Interactive display in the Welcome Center is Free)

Dickens Victorian Village

708 Wheeling Ave, Cambridge, Ohio 43725

740-421-4956

Contact: Jan Bennett

740-680-3338

JBennett19@frontier.com

*Field trips may be scheduled 30 days in advance by appointment Monday-Friday, November-December.

Materials Provided for:

Grades 2-5 information bag may be picked up in advance at the Dickens Welcome Center-

www.charlesdickensinfo.com/christmas-carol/

Grades 6-8 information bag may be picked up in advance at the Dickens Welcome Center-

www.charlesdickensinfo.com/christmas-carol/

No Fee—Donations accepted

Guernsey County History Museum

218 North Eighth Street, Cambridge, Ohio

740-439-5884

GuernseyHistory@Yahoo.com

Contact: Judy Clay Allow one hour Fee— Yes

John & Annie Glenn Museum

72 West Main St, New Concord, Ohio 43762

740-826-3305

Info@JohnGlennHome.org

Contact: Debbie Allender

*Allow 75 minutes to tour

Fee—Student Groups are \$2.00 per person/Teachers are Free

Kennedy's Bakery

1025 Wheeling Ave, Cambridge, Ohio 43725

740-432-2301

KennedysBakery@gmail.com

Contact: Patty Kennedy

*Tour must be scheduled at least two weeks in advance. Allow 20 minutes for the tour.

Fee-No

Salt Fork Arts & Crafts Festival

Cambridge City Park 1203 N. 8th Street, Cambridge, Ohio 43725

740-584-0652

saltforkfestivalcontact@gmail.com

Contact: Brenda Taylor

*Second Weekend in August. Make & Take arts and crafts for families and youth.

Fee-No

Salt Fork State Park Eco-Center

14755 Cadiz Rd, Cambridge Ohio 43725

740-630-6105

John.Hickenbottom@dnr.ohio.gov

Contact: John Hickenbottom

**60 Minutes

Fee-No

The Living Word Outdoor Drama

6010 College Hill Road, Cambridge, Ohio 43725

740-439-2761

Info@LivingWordOutDoorDrama.com

Contact: Heath Dawson

Fee- Yes

Longhorns Head to Tail Tours of Dickenson Cattle Company

3500 Muskrat Road, Barnesville, Ohio 43713

740-758-5050

Tue@LongHornTours.com

Contact: Tue Dickenson OR Cookie Connell

*70 minutes to tour. Company store onsite.

Fee- Yes

Mosser Glass

9279 Cadiz Road, Cambridge, Ohio 43725

740-439-1827

Information@MosserGlass.com

Contact: Sally Johnson

Fee-No