



BESSER
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Dear Teacher,

The Besser Museum for Northeast Michigan is excited to announce the opening of our “Many Inspired Steps” exhibition and Spring field trip curriculum, celebrating the 50th anniversary of the Apollo 11 mission and moon landing. The exhibition opens on Saturday April 27th, and we will begin hosting groups on Monday April 29th through the end of the school year.

Each activity listed below is approximately **30** minutes in length and can be tailored to meet age appropriate MI educational standards. Our standard field trip lasts **2 ½** hours and includes the five following activities plus lunchtime if requested. Students will be divided into groups and rotated through each activity with the help of our volunteer docents. Groups that contain more than 90 students or less than 25 will receive an alternate rotation schedule. It is best to have your students divided into groups before arriving at the museum. We suggest to give the students nametags, as this is helpful for both chaperones and our volunteer docents.

This year’s “Many Inspired Steps” exhibition curriculum features a mix of exciting activities:

In the Planetarium: Several new shows! Featuring “CAPCOM Go!”, “Apollo 11: Man’s First Step onto the Moon”, and “Back to the Moon for Good”. All shows celebrate the hard work done to reach our goal of humankind adventuring to the moon and beyond.

Museum Center: Exhibition Panel I-Spy – Groups will take a tour around the “Many Inspired Steps” panels, tracing the important steps we took that made history.

Downstairs Classroom: Unity Flags. Our new exhibit features many congratulatory letters from countries all over the world. If all the countries of the world worked together on a new mission, what would their flag look like?

Outside: Mission Control Games. It took a lot of energy and teamwork to make it to the moon. Using our bodies, we will act out our own mission to the moon. (Alternative Rain Plan: Indoor Planetary Games)

Trelfa Gallery- NEMAG Celebration Exhibition: The Northeast Michigan Artist’s Guild is celebrating 25 years together. How do we celebrate major achievements and anniversaries? By sharing our stories!

The cost to attend our field trip experience is **\$5 per student**. Teachers and adult chaperones are free (**1 chaperone per 7 students** is recommended, additional chaperones will be charged the group rate). Please let us know if your students will be bringing lunch or will need a scheduled break. Also inform us if you would like for your class to spend some time at the Museum Gift Shop.

To book your field trip experience, call the museum at (989) 356-2202. You can reach our Education Outreach Coordinator with any questions about your visit at education@bessermuseum.org.

Thank you for your interest.
Sincerely,

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