

General Rules for School Tours

Lake View Cemetery strives to provide an enjoyable experience for everyone that visits. Following these guidelines helps ensure a meaningful field trip. We will be very happy to discuss the specific needs of your group.

- Students must conduct themselves with respect as they are visiting an active cemetery.
- Students are permitted to bring a lunch and eat on the steps of the Garfield Memorial; we request that the students eat on $\frac{1}{2}$ of the stairs so that other people visiting the building can walk easily up the steps to the building. In the event of rain, the students can eat lunch on their bus. Trash containers are located around the Garfield Memorial for students to dispose of their debris.
- One highlight of the tour is a visit to the outdoor balcony at the Garfield Memorial. We request that teachers be present with their students on the balcony. We also request no loud voices, leaning on the railings, rocking loose stones, or throwing things off the balcony. (Remember we are an active cemetery and voices carry, we do not want to upset a family as they bury a loved one).
- It is important to remember while we are walking at the Cemetery that our roads are just like city streets. We will ask students to walk facing traffic, no more than 2-3 abreast. Please do not take over the road, as an active cemetery we have vehicles that need to travel in the Cemetery to fulfill cemetery business.
- Students may take photographs in both the Garfield Memorial and Wade Chapel, and elsewhere on the property. We request, however, they do not take photos of funerals, individual mourners, or names on headstones.
- Headstone rubbings are allowed. Most groups bring in flip chart paper and crayons for the students to do the rubbings. A group will need to allow extra time for this activity.
- Students may purchase educational and souvenir items at the Garfield Memorial. We have a wide variety of books, postcards, pencils, etc. available for sale. Large number of students making a one-item purchase, such as pencils, it would be helpful for the teacher to consolidate the items into one transaction. Please discuss this arrangement with the Community Outreach Department in advance (pricing information is available on request). If this is to be a math exercise, please relate this to the Community Outreach Director also so that we may make the exercise manageable for your class and Lake View.