



M U S E U M O F
**NATURE &
SCIENCE**
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Thank you for your interest in the Sleepover program at the Museum of Nature and Science. Sleepovers are a fun and educational experience the kids are sure to remember and include activities and shows taught by experienced Museum staff. Children always love the chance to sleep under the same roof as dinosaurs and other interesting creatures!

Sleepovers must be paid in full three weeks prior to the event. Make all registration changes and additions by the time you send in your balance payment.

Return the following documents at least 3 weeks prior to your event to the address below:

- Medical releases for adults and children
- Roster of all attendees
- Signed copy of the Policies and Procedures form
- Check for remaining balance. Payment must be made with one check or credit card per group.

Please make check payable to and mail to:

Museum of Nature and Science (MNS)

Attn: Sleepover Coordinator

P.O. Box 151469

Dallas, Texas 75315-1469

If you have any questions or need further assistance, please contact Sleepovers at (972) 201-0558. We look forward to seeing you at your **MNS Sleepover!**

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

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WHAT TO BRING

Each person attending a Sleepover should bring a sleeping bag, yoga style mat, pillow and only necessary toiletries. Shower facilities are not available. The leaders should bring a flashlight. Air mattresses are acceptable for use by adults only. Please wear comfortable layers as there will be no changing into pajamas for sleeping. Smoking is prohibited in all Museum buildings.

REGISTRATION

All completed materials are due **three weeks prior to the event**. Incomplete materials will delay your final confirmation.

REFUNDS, TRANSFERS, VISITORS

Your full payment is due **3 weeks prior to your sleepover date** and no refunds will be given after this date. You are paying for your child's space, not their attendance. Payment must be made with one check or credit card per group. Additional registrations can be made on a space available basis only. No discounts are given for leaving early. Only registered children from 6 to 12 years of age and pre-identified chaperones 21 years of age and older will be allowed to attend Sleepovers. No visitors will be allowed during Sleepovers, nor will any animals be allowed. No infants or children under the designated age will be admitted to the Sleepovers.

FOOD/SNACKS

Eat dinner prior to your arrival at the Museum. A snack and drink will be provided to all participants in the late evening, as well as a light breakfast in the morning. There will be no opportunity to purchase additional food or drinks. **Please do not bring additional food or beverages unless you or your child has a medical necessity that requires you to keep a snack on hand.** You should notify us in advance for these special situations so that arrangements can be made.

ILLNESS/INJURY

If a child or adult becomes ill or is injured, the contact on his/her medical release form will be notified. No oral medicines or first aid will be administered except by the child's chaperone, if necessary. A basic first aid kit will be available. For any matter involving medical treatment or otherwise, the Museum of Nature and Science disallows all responsibility for the cost of this or any other medical treatment.

BEHAVIOR

Chaperones are responsible for the behavior of everyone in their group. A chaperone must accompany the children in their group at all times. The 1:4 adult/child ratio must be maintained. Sleepover staff reserves the right to deny participation to any person whose behavior impedes Sleepover activities or the participation of any other person in attendance.

CHECK-IN

Doors open and check-in begins at **7PM in the NATURE BUILDING** on the evening of your scheduled overnight, with activities beginning at **7:30PM**. The event ends at **9:30AM** the next morning. The Nature building is the white building with the mammoth near the front door. The front entrance faces the lagoon.

AGE CATEGORIES

Please observe the age categories defined for the Sleepover (6-12 years). Each evening's events are designed for a defined age group. Children whose ages fall outside the boundaries of these definitions may not have the best possible Sleepover experiences.

PARKING

Parking is provided free of charge in the lot across the street from the Museum or in the Museum lot if space is available

Security

A Dallas Police Officer will be present in the building during the Sleepover. Once you have checked-in do not plan to return to your vehicle until the next morning.

SPECIAL NEEDS

Special needs for any person should be coordinated through the Sleepover Coordinator.

I have read, fully understand and agree to the policies and procedures. I have fully explained this information to all parents of participants and chaperones who will attend our specified Sleepover.

Group leader's signature

Date

SIGN AND RETURN 1 COPY WITH YOUR PAYMENT, MEDICAL RELEASES AND ROSTER. Keep one copy for your records.

GENERIC SLEEPOVER SCHEDULE

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Times and activities subject to change without notice.

EVENING

7PM

Doors open for check-in: NATURE BUILDING

7:30-7:45PM

Orientation

7:45-11:15PM

Children will be divided into groups and will stay with that group throughout the evening.

A light snack will be served in the 9PM hour.

11:45PM

Snore with the dinosaurs

MORNING

7-8AM

Lights on! Pack up and load vehicles before coming to breakfast.

8-8:25AM

Light Breakfast

8:45-9:30AM

IMAX film

9:30AM

Dismiss from Science Building Lobby

GENERAL INFORMATION

Museum of Nature and Science

Phone Numbers:

Main Line: **(214) 428-5555** 9AM – 5PM

Please have your chaperone's cell phone number with you.

Sleepover coordinator during usual business hours: ext. **1346**

Address:

Physical Address: **MNS - Science Building**

1318 South Second Avenue, Dallas, 75210
(Formerly The Science Place)

MNS – Nature Building

3535 Grand Avenue, Dallas, 75315
(The former Dallas Museum of Natural History)

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 151469, Dallas, 75315-1469

Fax: 214.428.4310

Directions:

From eastbound I-30:

Take exit 47A (2nd Avenue/Fair Park), continue on 2nd avenue and veer right as you exit and to continue to Grand Avenue. Turn left on Grand Avenue (Gate 5) to enter the park. The Museum of Nature and Science will be on right as you enter.

From westbound I-30:

Take exit 47A (1st Avenue/Fair Park), bear right as you exit and continue straight ahead to Fair Park. At the park, turn right on Parry Avenue and continue to Grand Avenue.

Turn left on Grand Avenue (Gate 5) to enter the park. The Museum of Nature and Science is on your right as you enter.

From N. Central Expressway/U.S. 75:

Take Southbound 75/Central Expressway to I-30 East.

Exit 2nd Avenue/Fair Park. Continue onto Robert B. Cullum Blvd.

Turn left on Grand Avenue (Gate 5) to enter the park. The Museum of Nature and Science will be on right as you enter.

From I-45 heading north or south:

Take Exit 283/Martin Luther King Blvd. follow the signs to Fair Park. At the park, turn left on Parry Avenue and continue to Grand Avenue.

Turn right on Grand Avenue (Gate 5) to enter the park. The Museum of Nature and Science will be on right as you enter.

From time to time Fair Park hosts events with paid parking. It is vital that you inform all of your chaperones about parking procedures. Your guests need to inform the parking attendant that they are attending an event at the Museum and they will not be charged. You can check the Fair Park calendar of events at www.fairpark.org

CHILD OVERNIGHT AND MEDICAL RELEASE FORM

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MNS Sleepover date: _____

Overnight and Medical Release forms must be filled out for each child attending an MNS Sleepovers.

Child's Name _____

Birth date _____ Sex _____ Age _____

Parent/Guardian of child _____

Day phone _____ Night phone _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Group Name _____

Leader's Name _____ Phone # _____

IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY list two people other than parent/guardian who can be reached during overnight hours.

Name _____ Phone # _____

Name _____ Phone # _____

Please list any special conditions (allergies, special medications, etc.) for the child.

I understand that the Museum of Nature and Science staff may, in its sole discretion, call 911 to arrange any medical treatment, and that the Museum of Nature and Science disallows all responsibility for the cost of this or any other treatment. Furthermore, I acknowledge that I have read or have had explained to me, the policies and procedures of the Museum of Nature and Science pertinent to Sleepovers.

I, the parent and/or legal guardian of the above-mentioned child, on behalf of the child, his/her parents or legal guardians, heirs, and legal representatives, do hereby release, acquit or forever discharge and agree to hold harmless, the Museum of Nature and Science and their employees and agents from any and all claims, demands, rights, damages, losses, injuries or causes of action whether known or unknown, or foreseen or unforeseen, arising out of any personal injury (or otherwise) sustained by or resulting from the child's participation in the MNS Sleepover.

I understand that the parties released admit no liability of any sort.

Signature _____ Date _____

ADULT OVERNIGHT AND MEDICAL RELEASE FORM

Museum of Nature and Science

MNS Sleepover date: _____

Overnight and Medical Release forms must be filled out for each adult attending an MNS Sleepovers.

Adult's Name _____

21 years of age ___ yes ___ no Sex _____

Day phone _____ Night phone _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Group Name _____

Leader's Name _____ Phone # _____

IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY list two people who can be reached during overnight hours.

Name _____ Phone # _____

Name _____ Phone # _____

Please list any special conditions (allergies, special medications, etc.) you might have.

I understand that the Museum of Nature and Science staff may, in its sole discretion, call 911 to arrange any medical treatment, and that the Museum of Nature and Science disallows all responsibility for the cost of this or any other treatment. Furthermore, I acknowledge that I have read or have had explained to me, the policies and procedures of the Museum of Nature and Science pertinent to Sleepovers.

I, the adult participant, do hereby release, acquit or forever discharge and agree to hold harmless, the Museum of Nature and Science and their employees and agents from any and all claims, demands, rights, damages, losses, injuries or causes of action whether known or unknown, or foreseen or unforeseen, arising out of any personal injury (or otherwise) sustained by or resulting from my participation in the MNS Sleepover.

I understand that the parties released admit no liability of any sort.

Signature _____ Date _____