

Learn More About LICM Overnights

What will my group do during an LICM Scout overnight?

Our themed overnight consists of hands-on activities that encourage problem-solving, collaboration and creativity, while introducing scouting skills and traditions. Participants will also have time to play in the galleries (some selected exhibits may not be available). Activities may have limited times, which will be noted on the Program Schedule.

A “typical” overnight program schedule includes:

6 p.m.: Check-In. *All group members must be present.*

6:45 – 7:15 p.m.: Orientation (All attendees – adults and children)

7:15 – 9:30 p.m.: Gallery play, demonstrations, make and takes, evening snack

9:30 – 10:30 p.m.: “Virtual Campfire”

10:30 p.m.: Bedtime preparations

11:15 p.m.: Lights Out

6:40 a.m.: Wake up and pack up

7 or 7:30 a.m.: Continental Breakfast (Groups will be assigned to specific meal time)

8 – 8:30 a.m.: Workshop or Program

8:30 a.m.: Museum Store opens

All groups will receive a custom **Program Schedule** for their overnight.

Who can attend Scout Overnights at LICM?

Scout overnights are a shared experience with other Scout groups. Overnights are designed for kindergarten through fifth grade registered Scouts, their leaders and parents. We do **not** permit siblings younger than kindergarten.

What are the hours of the Scout Overnights?

Overnights run from 6 p.m. to 8:45 a.m. the next morning.

Note: Guests should eat dinner before they arrive at the Museum; LICM will provide an evening snack and continental breakfast.

If you wish to spend the day at LICM after your overnight, please store your gear in your car prior to 9 a.m., exit the building and wait for our 10 a.m. opening to purchase tickets from any ticket seller in the Lobby.

Where do we sleep?

For comfort and safety, sleeping areas are restricted to specified locations **on the second floor** that will be assigned to your group upon arrival. Please do not change sleeping area on your own.

How should we dress for Scout Overnights?

Comfortably! Although it is up to the group leader, we advise against scouts wearing uniforms.

What do I need to bring with me?

Our recommended packing list includes:

- Sleeping bag and a sleeping pad, pillows and blankets (it can get cold at night). Adults may bring cots or TWIN-SIZED air mattresses. Due to LIMITED SPACE in our galleries, we cannot accommodate air mattresses for everyone in your group. (Be sure to bring an air pump).

- **Scouts know the value of layering and our overnight is no exception.** Since temperatures may drop during the evening, we ask that all participants wear a shirt, pants and shoes at all times.. Please do not bring pajamas as we do not have changing facilities. (We recommend t-shirts, shorts, sweat shirts and/or sweat pants.)
- A sleep mask (if low lighting will disturb you) or even ear plugs!
- Flashlights and/or a nightlight (some areas get very dark)
- Toiletries (toothbrush, toothpaste, soap, hairbrush, hand towel, etc.)
- Any medications you may need. (The Museum may not administer any medications.)
- Camera and film (or your mobile phone).
- No radios are permitted. Please use headphones or earbuds at low volume for any electronic devices (although you might want to leave these valuables at home!).
- Money (if you wish to shop in the Museum Store in the morning).
- To prevent lost items, please pack items in sturdy carry bags (duffle bags or totes).
- **PLEASE LABEL EVERYTHING WITH YOUR NAME AND TROOP/PACK #.**

Please be aware that cell phone use is limited to the Cafeteria and Outer Lobby. LICM is not responsible for any items lost, damaged or stolen during the event. **Please leave valuables at home.** (Lockers are available; we ask that you leave a driver's license in exchange for the key.)

How do I register my group?

Scout Overnight reservations are on a first-come, first-served basis. Contact Faun Guarino at fguarino@licm.org or 516-224-5840 to start the process. Then you receive a Hold a Space Form to return with your **non-refundable deposit** (\$180 for groups of 75 or more people; \$90 for all other groups). This will hold a space for your estimated number of participants (youth and adults) **until 4 weeks (25 or less people reserved) - 6 weeks (more than 25 people reserved)** before the event. At that time, full payment must be received with your final roster or you will lose your reservation and deposit.

Is there a waiting list?

Yes. If a date is sold out, we will add your group to our waiting list. We will be able to notify you four weeks before if we have any openings.

To avoid confusion, all inquiries must be made by the group leader, not individual parents.

Can we wander and explore the Museum all night?

No. The Museum will be dark and participants will be sleeping throughout the second floor. For safety's sake, you must "bed-down" by 11:15 p.m. Museum staff will be available during the entire night to handle any emergency situations. **Children must be chaperoned at all times, including trips to the bathroom during the night.**

Who will be in the Museum during the Overnight hours?

Registered, participating groups and the overnight Museum programming and security staff will remain on-site. Museum staff will make regular rounds through the Museum all night.

