



Three Cultures in Conflict at Fort Necessity

Planning for a successful field trip

Thank you for reserving the *Three Cultures in Conflict at Fort Necessity* program. To help ensure you and your students have a safe and enjoyable time, please read this brochure. See you when you arrive!

Pre visit activities

To prepare your children for their field trip please familiarize the students with the three cultures involved in the French and Indian War. The teacher's education kit *The French and Indian War 1754-1763* has many useful lesson plans and activities.

If you have this kit please complete "The Forks of the Ohio" lesson (page 40-42). Other useful lessons would include "What Were They Fighting For?" (page 48-51) and "Domain of Three Nations" (page 55-60). If you don't have the kit a copy of "The Forks of the Ohio" lesson is included.

Before your visit

Name Tags

Name tags are very helpful. They allow the park rangers and museum teachers to call the children by name.

Chaperones

Each class will be broken into four small groups in the learning lab workshop. It may be beneficial to have at least three chaperones so that each group would have a teacher or chaperone. One chaperone per 10 students is required. There are many hands on activities schedules. The park ranger leading your group may ask the teachers and chaperones to help.

Beginning your visit

You should begin your program at the visitor center. Please stop there to pay your fees. You also may like to arrive a little early to use the restrooms.

Paying the fees

You have made a reservation for a program that costs \$1.00 per student. The teacher(s), bus driver(s) and up to four chaperones per class are free.

Checks should be made payable to **National Park Service**.

Your fees will be collected at the front desk in the visitor center at the beginning of your visit.

If for some reason you need to cancel your field trip please call (724) 329-8124 to let us know as soon as possible. This will give another school an opportunity to visit.

Weather

This program will be offered rain or shine. The students will be walking to the reconstructed fort and taking part in outdoor activities there. This section of the field trip generally takes one hour. **All participants should dress appropriately.** Also remember it is often a few degrees cooler in the mountain areas. Good walking shoes are recommended.

Rest rooms

The public rest rooms are located at the visitor center.

Lunches

The visitor center has picnic tables available for use by the students. If the weather is bad, the students will be allowed to eat on the floor in the visitor center lobby. Students and adults should bring a lunch and drink or make an arrangement for box lunches. No refrigeration is provided for the lunches.

Conduct

A park ranger teacher will direct the group; however, the teachers and chaperones are responsible for discipline. Teachers and chaperones are expected to stay with the group. Inappropriate conduct may lead to the termination of the field trip.

No food, drink, gum or candy is allowed in the buildings, except in designated lunch areas.

Fort Necessity National Battlefield is a National Park. Please do not allow the students to take plants or animals. Do not pick the flowers.

Directions

Fort Necessity National Battlefield is located 11 miles east of Uniontown, PA directly off of U.S. Route 40.

After your visit

After your field trip you can reinforce some of the items the students learned during the visit. If you have the teacher's education kit *The French and Indian War 1754-1763* you might like to use "George Washington and Me" (page 62-69), "Fort Necessity Surrender Document" (page 71-74), "Time Line of the French and Indian War" (page 78-84), or another lesson. If you do not have the teacher's education kit a copy of "Fort Necessity Surrender Document" is enclosed.