

# Wolf Trap National Park for the Performing Arts

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## Education Programs



Field trips to Wolf Trap and school visits from park rangers enhance classroom learning in a variety of subjects. Visit [www.nps.gov/wotr/forteachers](http://www.nps.gov/wotr/forteachers) or call (703) 255-1827 for more information.

### Backstage Tours & Park Tours (Grades 1 – 12, College)

#### Backstage Tour

Students get an insider's view of the world-class Filene Center. Tours vary based on grade level, but common themes in all tours include the performer experience and theater operations. Program length: One hour  
Available: October – April

#### Park Tour

Students learn about pre-park history and the benefactress of the park. From October – April, this program includes all the elements of the backstage tour as well as a tour of the park grounds. From April – September, this program does not include the backstage tour. Program length: 1.5 hours

### Elementary School Programs

#### Park Introduction (Grades PreK, K, 1)

This program is a great way for early elementary aged students to learn about the basics when visiting a park. Students will explore Wolf Trap with a park ranger and learn about the National

Park Service. After visiting some of the special places at Wolf Trap, the students will play the "Wolf Trap Match Up" game.

Program length: 30 minutes  
Available: March – November

#### Physics of the Theater (Grades 2 – 3)

Students come to the park and become stagehands for the day. In a hands-on activity using all simple machines learned about in class (wheels, axles, pulleys, levers, wedges, screws, and inclined planes), the students solve a problem that a stagehand might encounter. Program length: 1.5 hours  
Available: October – June



#### Technology of Sound (Grades 5 – 6)

Students learn about modern sound systems and see the inside of a microphone and a loudspeaker. Starting with a sound wave and ending with the sound at a concert – students learn about the technology behind vocal amplification. Program length: 45 minutes  
Available: January – December



### Schedule A Field Trip

All programs are free. Each program is best given to one group at a time (20 – 35 students with chaperones). With prior planning, the park can arrange for simultaneous programs to allow for multiple classes to field trip to the park at the same time. Call (703) 255-1827 to schedule a field trip.

