BEFORE YOUR VISIT

FOR EDUCATORS & CHAPERONES

Here are some things we find helpful to know about a visit to the Phillips.

If you have any questions for the Phillips team, please contact tours@phillipscollection.org.
Before Your Field Trip
- Discuss with your students what to expect on their field trip and make connections to what they’re learning at school.
- Divide into groups of 10-12 students.
- There is no option to have lunch at the museum at this time due to space limitations, so please plan accordingly.

Upon Arrival at the Museum
- When you arrive, please wait for someone to open the doors (most school groups arrive before we open to the public, so the doors will be locked). Once inside the lobby, our educators will greet you.
- Buses may drop off the group directly in front of the museum at 1600 21 St NW. Then, the bus should move to park on one of the large avenues. Please avoid parking on any of the residential streets.

During Your Visit
- Be an active participant alongside students by giving verbal feedback, handing out supplies, looking at the artwork, and engaging with students during small group work.
- Be present with phones put away, unless taking photos of the tour.
- Model keeping the art safe for students (see “When we’re exploring the galleries” section of the student guidelines).
- Implement any attention grabbers or other classroom management techniques to assist the Phillips Educator.
- Redirect any students who begin to wander back to the group. Please refrain from bringing students into another gallery.
- Escort students to the bathroom (you can ask any Phillips staff member for directions).