



# NEWPORT MANSIONS®

## THE PRESERVATION SOCIETY OF NEWPORT COUNTY

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### Field Trip Guidelines

The Preservation Society of Newport County welcomes you and your students to our properties! For the best experience, it is important for students, as well as teachers, chaperones, and group leaders to know what to expect and what is expected of them.

Teachers and chaperones are responsible for their groups' behavior during their visit. The guides' role throughout the house is to educate the students about the history of the house and its occupants, and they rely on teachers and chaperones for supervision and discipline for a successful and productive visit.

The following guidelines will help to ensure a safe, productive, and enjoyable learning experience for all:

#### **Please be responsible for your students and their behavior.**

It is mandatory that you remain with your students at all times during your visit. This applies to all of our student visitors, including high school. One adult chaperone must be assigned to each group of ten students and remain with their group throughout their entire visit. Students found without a chaperone will be escorted out of the house museum.

#### **Be a model for your students' behavior.**

Please be aware of good practices for visiting museums and instill them in your students.

#### **Please do not touch.**

Many of the objects in the houses are fragile, and it is important that they not be touched. Even the oils on our fingertips can damage an object. Please ensure that your students understand the importance of not touching any of the objects.

#### **Food and liquids are not permitted inside the museums.**

#### **Cell phone conversations are not allowed inside the museum.**

Extraneous conversations can interfere with other visitors' enjoyment of the tour. Please save your texting and conversations for after you exit the houses.

#### **Photography is permitted with restrictions.**

Selfie sticks, flash, and tripods are not allowed.

#### **Pencils only.**

If your students are completing an activity during your visit today, please ensure that only pencils are used. Other writing implements, such as pens or markers, could cause permanent damage to our collection.