

How to Build a Rationale for a MIM Field Trip: It's All About Learning!

The Education Team at MIM recognizes that learning time is a valuable commodity. That's why it has created tours and related academic curricula aligned to the Arizona Academic Standards. This guide provides a rationale to demonstrate to your school leadership that MIM field trips are an important aspect of classroom education. Choose from among the many student outcomes listed below to complete school-required field-trip requests.

With a MIM Educational Field Trip, students will:

- Move toward mastery of Arizona Standards in Music, Science, and Social Studies
- Gain exposure to cultures different from their own
- Learn to describe the features of a place, people, or culture based on observations
- Broaden their experience in global understanding of musical instruments and culture
- Be inspired to wonder and question, think, problem solve, and reflect
- Participate in arts-based programming and standards-based educational activities
- Learn to analyze and synthesize information from multiple sources
- Describe how common themes are found across different cultures
- Identify research questions and design investigations for a scientific problem
- Conduct high-interest, inquiry-based projects related to the science of sound
- Relate geographic understanding to world events and history
- Describe the cause/effect of particular events under study

The MIM educational field trip can serve as a culminating experience at the end of a course of study, as a catalyst to provoke interest in a new topic, or as an opportunity in the middle of a term for active learners to test out their ideas and concepts. As students and educators interact with experts and the wide variety of material culture on site at MIM, students will broaden their experience, constructing a global understanding of our world's traditions.