

# Museum Manners

Bradford County Historical Society

Objects in the Museum are there because they are important reminders of our history. Many of them are very old. The Museum would like them to last so that people can see them far into the future. Wear and tear on the objects and especially oils from people's hands can help them to deteriorate. There are some objects in the Museum that can be handled and your guide will tell you when something can be touched.

Visiting the museum should be a fun, enjoyable experience for everyone. One of the ways to ensure a positive adventure is to practice appropriate etiquette. The following practical advice is good for museum visitors.

- Artifacts and art on display are not to be touched.
- There is no leaning against walls, cases and pedestals, climbing or sitting on artifacts, both for the visitor's safety and for the protection of the artifacts.
- Food, gum, beverages, backpacks/large bags, pens/markers are not permitted in the museum.
- The Group Leader and/or Chaperones are responsible for keeping the group together and maintaining proper behavior. The following actions are not appropriate: loud talking (voices should be kept at a respectful level); running; jumping; disrupting the experience of others; touching artifacts; disregarding the directions of Museum staff, group leaders, teachers, and chaperones.
- The Museum staff is not responsible for the behavior management of students/children. That responsibility is in the hands of the Group Leader and/or Chaperones. If a Museum staff member must intervene, the Museum reserves the right to discontinue the tour and dismiss the group from the Museum.
- Please turn off all cell phones while in the museum.
- Students may bring sack lunches/snacks/beverages to eat outside on the Museum grounds.
- Lunches/snacks/beverages will need to be left in vehicles upon entering the Museum.

*In accordance with the museum manners form set forth, I have read and understand the Bradford County Historical Society terms and fully agree to adhere to all conditions outlined in said policy. Please sign and return to 109 Pine Street, Towanda PA 18848.*

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Signature

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Date