

In the darkened Exhibit Halls, the hum of 500 young voices fills the air. The voices emanate from sleeping bags scattered across the floor—under the watchful gaze of *Tyrannosaurus rex*, beneath the world's largest Van de Graaff generator, next to a probability puzzle. Every once in a while, a chaperone overhears a bit of conversation from the excited children. They are discussing, in barely contained whispers, all they have seen and experienced this evening while at a Museum of Science overnight!



Museum of Science.



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Museum Overnights 617-589-0350 mos.org/overnights

Museum of Science, Boston

Who We Are

An overnight at the Museum of Science inspires children to discover science in an entertaining, educational, and interactive way.

Each year thousands of children in grades 1 – 7 and their adult chaperones visit the Museum with more than 100 different agencies. Attendees sleep on the floors of the Museum's Exhibit Halls and participate in activities after the Museum closes and again the next morning.

A typical overnight includes a variety of fun science activities, science demonstrations, a Theater of Electricity *Lightning!* presentation, a Planetarium show, an Omni film, and time to explore the Museum with chaperones. Instructors facilitate hands-on science activities that enhance Museum exhibits.

How to Participate

Interested groups of ten or more are welcome. Registration is handled through organizations like Girl Scouts, Cub Scouts, schools, churches, youth groups, and various clubs. The program has expanded its capacity, and now offers greater availability. For details, call **617-589-0350** or **617-589-0417 (TTY)**, email **overnights@mos.org**, or visit us online at **mos.org/overnights**.

Individuals should contact their local youth agency for registration information and overnight fees. Although individual registrations are not accepted, Museum members may register for one of the family-focused overnights held every year, usually in June. For more information, contact the membership department directly at **617-589-0180**.

Sample Schedule:

Your schedule will vary.

Evening

5:00 – 6:30 p.m.

Arrival and registration

6:45 p.m.

Opening welcome

8:00 p.m.

Safety tour

8:15 p.m.

Hands-on workshop

9:15 p.m.

Snack, activities,
explore Museum

10:30 p.m.

Lightning! presentation*

11:00 p.m.

Set up sleeping space

Midnight

Lights out

Morning

6:45 a.m.

Wake up

7:00 a.m.

Breakfast

8:00 a.m.

Planetarium show*

9:00 a.m.

Explore Museum

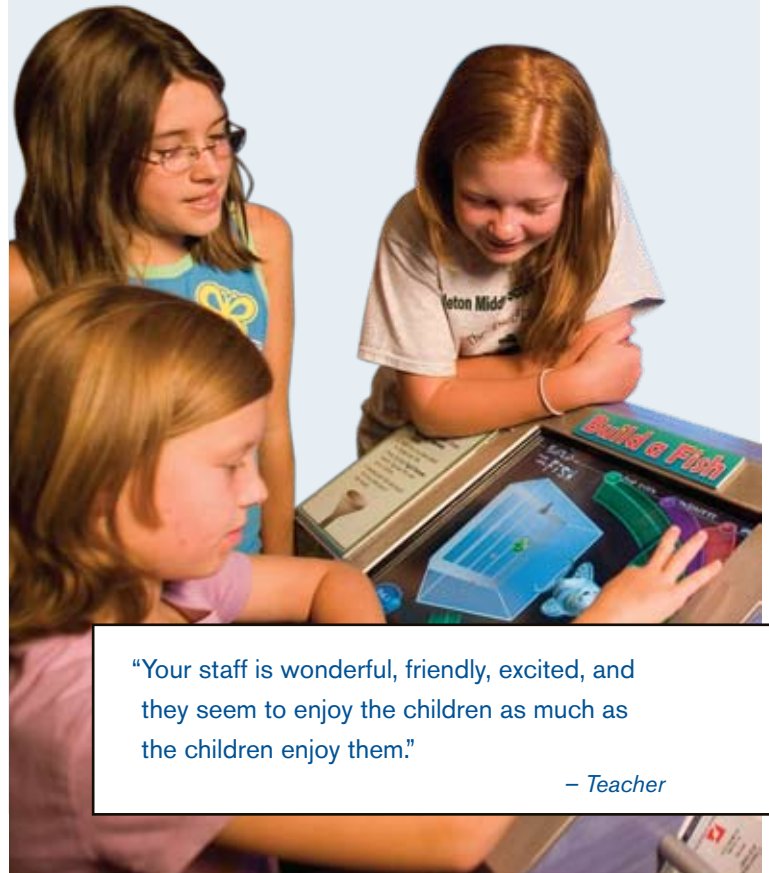
10:00 a.m.

Omni film*

11:00 a.m.

Overnight officially ends

**If any Museum venue is
closed, an alternative
activity will be provided.*



"Your staff is wonderful, friendly, excited, and they seem to enjoy the children as much as the children enjoy them."

– Teacher