



*The 1719 William Trent House  
School/Youth Group Tour  
Reservation*

Thank you for requesting a school or youth group tour at The 1719 William Trent House! We are so excited that you will be visiting us!

Please complete this form and return to [directortrenthouse@gmail.com](mailto:directortrenthouse@gmail.com).

School: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade(s) or Age Range: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of students/youth: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of adults: \_\_\_\_\_ (1 adult per 5-6 students/youth is preferred)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Arrival Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Departure Time: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Cost: \$4 per student/youth      \$5 per adults

Total amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please bring a check for the total payment of admission at the time of your visit. If this is a problem, please let us know and we can try to make other arrangements for you.

If you must cancel your visit or will be more than 20 minutes late, please call (609) 989-3027 as soon as possible. We cannot guarantee your reservation if your group is more than 20 minutes late.

## TOUR INFORMATION

**How long will the tour take?** The tour is approximately 45 minutes in length. Groups should plan on 1 hour to allow time for bathroom breaks, questions etc.

**What happens on a tour?** The tour begins with a brief orientation talk. The group is then led on a guided tour through the historic house. Depending on group size, your group may be divided up into smaller groups.

**Is the Trent House handicapped accessible?** The Trent House is an historic building. Its original construction did not allow for handicapped accessibility. A tour of the house involves climbing several flights of stairs. The first floor of the house is accessible.

**Is there a gift shop?** There is a small gift shop in the carriage house visitor's center.

**Are there picnic facilities?** The Trent House is situated on a 2 acre landscaped park. There are picnic areas with tables and benches located on the grounds, as well as lawns suitable for games and activities. Also of interest are the well, root cellar and the Trent-era kitchen garden. Please let the staff know if you plan to eat lunch on the property at the time you make your reservation.

**Are there bathroom facilities?** Bathrooms are located in the Carriage House Visitor Center.

**Is there parking?** Buses may drop students/groups off along William Trent Place. Buses may stay here as long as someone stays with the bus. Car and bus parking is also available in the State of NJ Hughes Justice Complex Visitors Lot (adjacent to Trent house grounds). Please come in the white gate on the parking lot side of the property.

**Is there food and drink allowed in the house?** Absolutely no food or drink can be brought into the museum. This includes water and chewing gum. There are picnic tables and benches on the grounds for the use of schools/groups. In the case of inclement weather, lunch may be eaten in the Carriage House Visitor Center. Lunches and snacks may be stored in there as well during your tour.

## For Schools/Instructors

The educational objective of the Trent House School Tour Program is to provide students with a basic understanding of the differences between everyday life in the early 18<sup>th</sup> century and the lifestyles children are familiar with in their own world. During their visit, students will be led on a tour through the 1719 home of William Trent, the founder of the city of Trenton. Each room in the house contains reproductions and antiques/artifacts that tie in with the original use of the room by the Trent Family or servants. Additionally, groups have the opportunity to attend special programming offered by the Trent House. Programs will be offered at the time of reservation.

**House rules** The Trent House is an important historical resource and requires special care. Student conduct during the tour is of the utmost importance to the preservation of our historic house. Teachers/chaperones are responsible for discipline and control of the students. The Trent House staff and volunteers are not trained as disciplinarians. We reserve the right to expel from the building any student or group whose conduct endangers the building or collections therein. Additionally, the Trent House staff is not trained to deal with medical emergencies. **Based on the needs of those in the group, please have a nurse or someone trained in first aid accompany your group.**

To enable students to gain the most benefit from our tour, we suggest that you prepare your class by introducing them to the following terms and concepts prior to your arrival at the Trent House.

**Native or Indigenous People**

**Colonization**

**Merchant**

**Trade (import/export)**

**Inventory**

**African Slavery**

**Enslavement**

**Negro (as a term formerly used to refer to people of African descent)**