



## Student Educational Tour

Georgia abounds with educational opportunities for students. The state comes with a diverse set of ecosystems; a history encompassing American Indian, colonial, Civil War and Civil Rights monuments; and some of the nation's most important art and science destinations.

### DAY 1

#### **CONSOLIDATED GOLD MINE, DAHLONEGA**

The largest hard rock gold mine east of the Mississippi, Consolidated Gold Mines in Dahlonega is open daily for tours, gold panning and gemstone mining. A knowledgeable staff member will give a 40-minute tour 200 feet underground, showcasing equipment used 150 years ago, quartz and pyrite formations, and providing an introduction to the geology of the gold belt.

#### **SOLAR SYSTEM WALKING TOUR, GAINESVILLE**

In this 1.8-mile tour, visitors will learn about the placement of the planets in relationship to the sun and moon in a practical way. The tour treks participants through the Gainesville downtown, the Rock Creek Greenway and four public parks.

#### **LAKE LANIER**

A trip to Lanier Islands or Don Carter State Park will provide students a much-needed opportunity for fun. Groups can make the trip educational with stops at the Elachee Nature Science Center to learn about the local environment, the Gainesville campus of the Atlanta Botanical Garden for a study of the local flora and the Northeast Georgia History Center for a glimpse into the life of the Cherokee Indians.

Overnight in Gainesville

### DAY 2

#### **DAVID J. SENCER CDC MUSEUM, ATLANTA**

Ever wonder how CDC scientists merge old-fashioned detective work with high-tech science to crack the cases of mystery diseases? Visit the David J. Sencer CDC Museum at the national Center for Disease Control headquarters to see award-winning permanent and changing exhibitions focusing on public health topics and the history of the Center for Disease Control.

#### **MICHAEL C. CARLOS MUSEUM AT EMORY UNIVERSITY, ATLANTA**

From the wonders of ancient civilizations to the evocative art and architecture of the 20th century, the Carlos Museum offers a glimpse of 9,000 years of art and art history, with collections from ancient Egypt, Greece and Rome.

#### **OCMULGEE NATIONAL MONUMENT, MACON**

Journey to the ancient past to discover 17,000 years of American Indian heritage just across the Ocmulgee River from downtown Macon. Enter the continent's only reconstructed earth lodge with the original 1,000-year-old floor, climb to the top of the Great Temple Mound, and see prehistoric trenches and the site of a colonial British trading post.

Overnight in Macon

### DAY 3

#### **AMERICAN PROHIBITION MUSEUM, SAVANNAH**

Visitors to America's only museum focused solely on the Temperance movement will discover the history of the 18th Amendment and its effect on the culture of the United States. Group tours include trolley transportation and signature cocktails for those of age.

#### **4-H CENTER, JEKYLLE ISLAND**

Georgia 4-H has been connecting students to Georgia's coastal environment on Jekyll Island since 1983. Reaching more than 13,000 people each year through the Environmental Education Program, Georgia 4-H uses hands-on techniques to engage young minds in classes about ecology, herpetology, ornithology and more.

#### **GEORGIA SEA TURTLE CENTER, JEKYLLE ISLAND**

The Georgia Sea Turtle Center offers the public a chance to learn about sea turtles and see rehabilitation, research and education efforts in action. The center offers year-round interactive indoor and outdoor programs for guests of all ages. Visitors can take a special behind-the-scenes tour to get a closer look at the patients and their rehabilitation care.

Find more itineraries at [ExploreGeorgia.org](https://www.ExploreGeorgia.org).

MILEAGE	Albany	Athens	Atlanta	Augusta	Columbus	Macon	Rome	Savannah
Asheville, NC	6 hours	3 hours	3.5 hours	3 hours	5 hours	4.5 hours	4 hours	4.5 hours
Birmingham, AL	4 hours	3.5 hours	2 hours	4 hours	2.5 hours	3.5 hours	2 hours	5.5 hours
Charlotte, NC	6 hours	3 hours	3.5 hours	2.5 hours	5 hours	4.5 hours	4.5 hours	3.5 hours
Charleston, SC	5 hours	4 hours	4.5 hours	3 hours	5.5 hours	4 hours	6 hours	2 hours
Nashville, TN	6.5 hours	5 hours	3.5 hours	6 hours	5 hours	5 hours	3 hours	7 hours
New Orleans, LA	6.5 hours	7.5 hours	6.5 hours	8.5 hours	5.5 hours	7 hours	7 hours	9 hours
Orlando, FL	4.5 hours	6.5 hours	6 hours	6 hours	6 hours	5 hours	7 hours	4 hours
Raleigh, NC	7.5 hours	5.5 hours	6 hours	4.5 hours	7.5 hours	6 hours	7 hours	4.5 hours

### VISITOR INFORMATION CENTERS

- Augusta
- Columbus
- Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport
- Kingsland/St. Marys
- Lavonia
- Plains
- Ringgold
- Savannah/Port Wentworth
- Sylvania
- Tallapoosa
- Valdosta/Lake Park
- West Point



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