

Sample Schedules for Student Groups

Supreme Court of the United States



Although the Supreme Court does not offer guided walking tours, visitors are encouraged to tour public portions of the building on a self-guided basis and take advantage of a variety of educational programs, including [Courtroom Lectures](#), a [Visitor Film](#), and court-related [Exhibitions](#). In addition to the Courtroom, portions of the first and ground floors are open to the public. Highlights include the John Marshall statue, portraits and busts of former Justices, and two self-supporting marble staircases. The Courtroom is located on the first floor.

Court sessions, including handing down of opinions, are also open to the public. [Courtroom seating](#) is on a first-come, first-served basis. Please see the sample schedules below for ideas on how to structure a visit to the Supreme Court Building for student groups of various sizes.

For 30 or Fewer Students:

If you have 60 minutes:

10:00 a.m.	Arrive and proceed through security screening
10:15 a.m.	Line up in the Great Hall located on the first floor
10:30 a.m.	Attend Courtroom Lecture
11:00 a.m.	Exit building

For 30 or More Students:

If you have 60 minutes:

10:00 a.m.	Arrive and proceed through security screening
10:15 a.m.	Line up in the Great Hall located on the first floor
10:30 a.m.	Attend Courtroom Lecture
11:00 a.m.	Exit building

If you have 90 minutes:

10:00 a.m.	Arrive and proceed through security screening
10:15 a.m.	Line up in the Great Hall located on the first floor
10:30 a.m.	Attend Courtroom Lecture
11:00 a.m.	Exhibits
11:30 a.m.	Exit building

If you have 90 minutes:

10:00 a.m.	Arrive and proceed through security screening		
	Group 1	Group 2	Group 3
10:15 a.m.	Film	Exhibits	Courtroom & Great Hall
10:35 a.m.	Courtroom & Great Hall	Film	Exhibits
10:55 a.m.	Exhibits	Courtroom & Great Hall	Film
11:30 a.m.	Exit building		

The sample schedules could be adapted for the following start times: 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m., 1:00 p.m., 2:00 p.m., and 3:00 p.m.

[Courtroom Lectures](#) are offered on days when the Court is not sitting, beginning on the half hour. For specific daily schedules, please see the 30-day rolling [calendar](#). If a lecture is unavailable on the day of your visit, you may view the film instead. The film runs for 24 minutes. Seating capacity is 50 per theater. Showings are continuous in both theaters to accommodate two groups at the same time beginning at 9:15 a.m. The last showing starts at 3:45 p.m.