

Interested in bringing your group to Historic Bath? We'd love to have you!

This fall we're offering field trips that include guided tours of the exterior buildings and grounds – including the Palmer-Marsh, Bonner, and Van der Veer houses – and your choice of three historic demonstrations by costumed interpreters.

To book a tour, call Historic Bath at 252.924.3971 or email almond.drake@ncdcr.gov.

Thank you for your interest!

What you need to know:

We are currently accepting field trip bookings for groups of 10-25 people total, including parents and teachers.

Larger groups may book for the same day in time slots that do not overlap.

Groups must practice social distancing while on the grounds.

All demonstrations will be hands-off, but groups will be emailed a packet of fun activities that can be done at home or in the classroom!

Available Demonstrations:

Rope making: learn about the different types of rope, how it was made, and how it was used in the past.

Candle dipping: see how candles were made and the kinds of equipment a "chandler" needed.

Spinning and colors: see how wool was spun into yarn, and learn about the different dyes available in the past. Spoiler alert – they didn't have neon colors back then!

Musket firing demo: watch and learn how a musket would be loaded and fired in the 18th century. We include a live fire whenever possible, but this is weather-dependent.

Cooking: learn about period cooking techniques and the tools that would be used in this open-fire demonstration. A period recipe is included in your packet!

Clothing: Did you know your shirt used to be considered underwear? See what the clothes of the past looked like and how they were worn.