



Dozin' with the Dinos Overnight Info Packet

See the Field Museum in a whole new light! Families and groups with kids ages 6 to 12 can spend the night at the museum during Dozin' with the Dinos.

Stay up late with scientists as the Field Museum comes to life in games, challenges, and stories throughout the night. Will you dissect owl pellets and identify animal tracks to become the next great wildlife detective? Or, will you embark on a paleontologist's expedition to uncover and identify fossils? Take on these adventures and more with one of the Field Museum's dinosaurs as your guide. Then, grab your flashlight and explore the halls as the lights go out. This is a night at the museum you won't forget!

Saturday, January 17, 2026
Saturday, January 31, 2026
Friday, February 13, 2026

Friday, February 27, 2026
Friday, March 13, 2026
Friday, March 20, 2026

Friday, April 3, 2026
Friday, April 10, 2026

Overnights begin at 5:30 pm and end at 9:00 am the following day.

Please Note: Parking for Field Family Nights can now be purchased in advance directly through Soldier Field - North Garage to ensure the lowest rate. Rates are subject to change for parking that is purchased upon your arrival on the day of your event.

Please purchase parking in advance by following [this link](#) and selecting the date of your Dozin' with the Dinos event. Rates are subject to change for parking that is purchased upon your arrival on the day of your event.

Soldier Field - North Garage is now cashless, and only accepts credit card, apple pay, or google pay.

For all other questions, please email us at overnights@fieldmuseum.org or call us at 312.665.7525. The Field Museum reserves the right to change, modify, or update this Info Packet as necessary from time to time.

Illness Attendance Policy

All attendees must read and agree to adhere to our Illness Attendance Policy to attend a 2026 Dozin' with the Dinos overnight event. If these policies change, ticket holders will be informed.

If you feel sick, stay home and email us. We will exchange your tickets for another date if space allows. Do not attend an event if:

- You have a body temperature over 100 degrees Fahrenheit or used a fever reducer in the previous 24 hours to treat a body temperature over 100 degrees Fahrenheit.
- You have a new cough and/or a new or worsening sore throat that you cannot attribute to a preexisting health condition.
- You have a shortness of breath that you cannot attribute to a preexisting health condition.
- You have recently developed a complete loss of smell or taste.
- You have vomited more than twice in the preceding 24 hours.

Children and Chaperones

- Children must be between the ages 6 through 12.
- We require at least one chaperone for every three children, and no more than three adults per child in your group.
- Chaperones must be over 21.
- Chaperones must NOT drop off their children or belongings at the entrance and leave them unsupervised while parking.
- **Children must be supervised at all times. Chaperones must take frequent attendance to ensure all children are present and accounted for.**

Age Policy:

- Children under the age of 6 will not be admitted into a Dozin' with the Dinos event. Families and groups with children under the age of 6 may be asked to leave the event without a refund.
- Adults may not attend Dozin' with the Dinos without a child between the ages of 6-12. If you attend the event and **do not have children in your party**, you will be asked to leave the event without a refund.
- If you've purchased tickets incorrectly by mistake, you have until **2 weeks prior** to the event to request a refund. After the two week period no refunds will be given, and you will not be admitted to the event.

If you have any further questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out via email: overnights@fieldmuseum.org or give us a call at 312-665-7525.

Ticket Types:

All tickets include participation in the overnight event, discounted parking, admission to select ticketed exhibits, an evening snack, continental breakfast, and general admission to the museum for the day after your sleepover.

Individual families and groups (scouts, schools, churches, community groups, and others) can register for this event. In order to receive the discounted group rate, groups must have at least 15 guests. **These tickets cannot be upgraded to Premium, Tour, or Ultimate SUE.**

Ticket type	Member	Non-member
Standard	\$90	\$95
Premium	\$110	\$120
Tour	\$135	\$150
Ultimate SUE Sleepover	\$180	\$200
Group (15 or more)	\$90	\$90

Overnight dates sell out each season. We encourage you to buy your tickets as soon as possible. All Standard, Premium, Tour, and Ultimate SUE Sleepover tickets must be purchased online at <https://www.fieldmuseum.org/our-events/dozin-with-the-dinos>.

After purchasing your tickets, you will receive a receipt confirming your order from the ticketing system. No physical tickets will be issued, but we'll email you a reminder in the week leading up to the event.

Upgrades

If you'd like to upgrade your experience, you can purchase:

- **Premium tickets** - Secure a sleeping spot in the *Evolving Planet* exhibition and sleep amongst prehistoric creatures.
 - Tickets are for families of fewer than 15 people. Space is limited.
- **Tour tickets** - Secure a sleeping spot in the *Evolving Planet* exhibition and a behind-the-scenes tour with one of our scientists!
 - Tours start near the South Entrance and last 45 minutes.
 - You'll get a glimpse of parts of the museum guests don't normally have the chance to see!
 - Tickets are for families of fewer than 15 people. Space is limited.
- **Ultimate SUE Sleepover tickets** - Secure exclusive access to sleep in the SUE Gallery within *Evolving Planet* and a behind-the-scenes tour with one of our scientists!
 - Tours start near the South Entrance and last 45 minutes.
 - VIP parking is included with your tickets.
 - Each ticket also includes a special sleep kit.
- **3D movie screening** - Tickets are \$5 and sold near check-in until 9:00 pm on the night of the event.

Please note: Premium, Tour, and Ultimate SUE Sleepover upgrades are typically not available at the event and should be purchased in advance.

Group Purchases

Perfect for scouting, school, or other organizations. Groups of 15 or more can purchase group tickets. Here's how!

1. Choose a group leader to complete the [registration form](#) and attend the event.
2. After you fill out the form, we'll get in touch with you to confirm and set up payment for tickets and discounted parking. If you encounter difficulties, contact us at overnights@fieldmuseum.org.
3. After completing your purchase, review the email confirming your Group tickets. Don't see it? Check your spam folder, or let us know. We'll be happy to help!
4. To increase your group size or inquire about your purchase, email overnights@fieldmuseum.org or call 312.665.7525.
5. Groups must purchase a minimum of 15 tickets in order to receive the discounted group rate.
6. We'll set your group up with a designated sleeping space in one of our exhibits. You will receive a packet with information and a checklist upon registering for this event.
7. **All ticket sales are final. We do not issue refunds.**

Ticket Exchanges

To exchange your tickets for a new date, notify us at 312.665.7525 or email overnights@fieldmuseum.org at least **ten business days** prior to your event. If space allows, we will exchange your ticket for another date, but capacities are capped for tours. ***All sales are final; no refunds.***

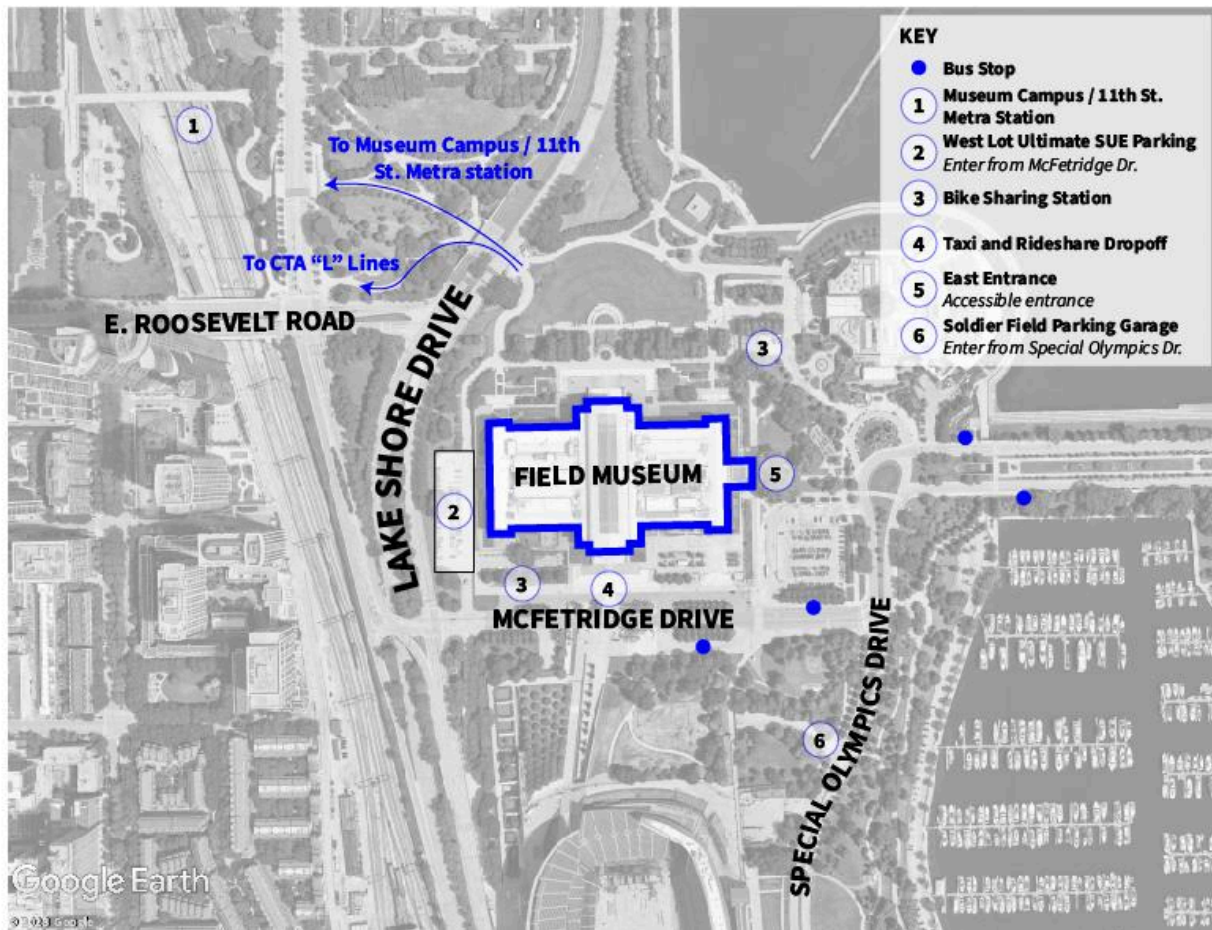
If you're experiencing any symptoms outlined in our Illness Attendance Policy, please do not attend the event. Contact us so we can transfer your tickets to another date.

Sample Schedule - Subject to change before each event

Time	Activity	Location
6:00–8:00 pm	Check-in	South Entrance
6:30–8:00 pm*	Science Showcase	Stanley Field Hall
6:30–8:00 pm	Snack available for pickup	Siragusa Center
6:30 pm	Tours (first round)	South Entrance
7:30 pm	Tours (second round)	South Entrance
8:00 pm and 9:00 pm	Film Screening (film may vary from event to event)	James Simpson Theatre (purchase tickets near the South Entrance!)
8:30-10:00 pm	Late Night Activities	Stanley Field Hall
10:00 pm	Lights out in the halls	Assigned sleeping areas
10:30 pm	Storytime	James Simpson Theatre
11:30 pm	Upper Level closes	Assigned sleeping areas
12:00 am	Bedtime!	Assigned sleeping areas
7:00 am	Rise & Shine	Assigned sleeping areas
6:30-8:00 am	Continental Breakfast	Siragusa Center & Bistro
7:30 am	Museum Store opens	Stanley Field Hall
8:00 am	Departure begins	South and West Entrances
8:30 am	Everyone out of the exhibits	

Getting to the Field Museum

Visit <https://www.fieldmuseum.org/directions-parking> to access the directions and parking information from anywhere.



Public transportation:

Chicago's convenient public transit offerings are an environmentally friendly way to get to the Field Museum every day of the year. For schedule updates, maps, information on Ventra fare cards, and other travel information, visit the CTA website: transitchicago.com.

By CTA train: The closest CTA train stop to the Field Museum is Roosevelt. Servicing the Red, Orange, and Green lines, the Roosevelt stop also offers a connection to the #146 bus (at State and Roosevelt), which takes riders directly to Museum Campus.

By CTA bus: Use the [CTA's Bus Tracker](#) for updated arrival times. The #146 (Inner Drive/Michigan Express/Museum Campus) bus line services Museum Campus during Dozin' dates.

By Metra: The closest Metra stop to the Field Museum is the Metra Electric District station at Museum Campus/11th Street. Visit [Metra's website](#) for information about other nearby stations, schedules, tickets, and other travel information.

By car: Driving is a convenient way to access Museum Campus, especially if you're traveling with the whole family!

The easiest route to Museum Campus is via the 18th street and Lake Shore Drive entrance, immediately south of Soldier Field. Exit Lake Shore Drive onto eastbound 18th Street and follow 18th Street/Museum Campus Drive east of the stadium and north to Museum Campus.

Parking

Overnight parking in the Soldier Field-North Garage is available. You can access this garage from 18th street at any time on the day of your event, but the parking pass will only work once. You will not be able to leave the lot and park there again. Only the North Garage is available for overnight guests.

Parking for Dozin' with the Dinos will now be purchased directly through Soldier Field - North Garage. After purchasing your Dozin' with the Dinos tickets, you will be sent a link to purchase parking in advance at this discounted rate. Please select the date of your Dozin' with the Dinos event.

Rates are subject to change for parking that is purchased upon your arrival on the day of your event. Soldier Field - North Garage is now cashless, and only accepts credit card, apple pay, or google pay. All cars in the garage must exit by 9am the following morning.

What to Bring:

- Sleeping bag
- Pillow
- Toothbrush and toothpaste
- Washcloth or hand towel
- Flashlight (we do not sell flashlights or batteries)
- Comfortable clothing (temperatures may vary from hall to hall)
- Gym shoes
- Change and small bills or credit and debit cards for vending machines (museum staff cannot make change)
- Earplugs (sometimes our dinosaurs snore)
- Bags / backpacks

What NOT to Bring:

- Tents
- Air mattresses larger than a twin size for one person (Full or Queen size is ok if you are sharing)
- Outside food and drinks, including alcohol or other controlled substances.

Pack carefully! We do not provide any sleeping equipment.

Arrival and Check-In

Please plan to arrive before 6pm. This will give you enough time to check in and drop off your gear in your assigned sleeping area. Check-in procedures vary by ticket type:

Standard: *Please use South Entrance*

- Join the check-in line under Sobek in the South Entrance lobby. Dozin' with the Dinos staff will check you in at the kiosks, hand you a copy of the schedule and maps for the night, and help direct you to the exhibit where you will be sleeping.

Premium and Tour: *Please use South Entrance*

- Join the check-in line under Sobek in the South Entrance lobby. Dozin' with the Dinos staff will check you in at the kiosks, hand you a copy of the schedule and maps for the night, and help direct you to the exhibit where you will be sleeping.
- Premium and Tour ticket holders will receive wristbands that allow them to sleep in the *Evolving Planet* exhibition.
- If you purchased Tour tickets, you'll also receive a sticker with your tour time and subject.

Ultimate SUE Sleepover: *Please use West Entrance*

- Your Ultimate SUE Guide will be stationed at the West Entrance to check you in and collect your belongings. They will provide you with a copy of the schedule and maps, tour stickers, and an Ultimate SUE Overnight Kit.
- In order to ensure all guests have the opportunity to visit the SUE gallery prior to lights out, we will be storing your belongings in luggage carts until later in the evening. Please make sure you keep anything you need with you at all times.

Groups: *Please use East Entrance*

- Group leaders should arrive by 5:50 pm to check in and receive your kid's patches.
- Field Museum staff will use your roster to check in all your chaperones who are listed. ***Make sure your roster is up to date with names before 5pm.***
- Please make sure that your group members know the name of your group and your group leader's name for a quicker check-in.
- After checking in with Dozin' with the Dinos staff, group leaders and members can head up to their sleeping area to put down their belongings and enjoy the rest of the night!
- Group leaders **are not responsible** for checking in individual members of their group and **do not** have to wait for every member to arrive.

Late arrivals may enter through the South Entrance until 8:00 pm. Guests who arrive after 8:00 pm must enter through the East Entrance. **No one is admitted to the museum after 9:00 pm.**

Sleeping Areas and Personal Belongings

We will notify all guests of their sleeping location and dino mascot in communications prior to the event. Look for your assigned dinosaur on the map and posted in the exhibits. Staff are also available to help you find your sleeping area. All sleeping areas are carpeted. Sleeping area assignments vary by ticket type.

Select exhibitions remain open to all guests until 11:30 pm. We encourage guests to leave their belongings in their sleeping areas, but please do not spread out your gear until after the Science Showcase to ensure that everyone is able to enjoy the museum. Leave a clear walkway when setting up your gear. **Remember, tents, food, and drinks are strictly prohibited in the exhibits.**

Standard - A reserved area in an exhibit.

Premium and Tour - On the upper level in the *Evolving Planet* exhibition. Please do NOT set up your belongings in the SUE Gallery. Guests are not allowed to sleep in the SUE Gallery unless they have purchased an Ultimate SUE Sleepover Ticket.

Ultimate SUE Sleepover - On the upper level in the SUE Gallery in the *Evolving Planet* exhibition.

Groups - A reserved area in an exhibit. Sleeping arrangements are based first on group size, then on group type. Every effort is made to put groups of the same type in the same area.

Power Outlet Access

Some exhibitions have better access to outlets than others. If you need 24-hour access to electricity (if, for example, you use a CPAP machine), contact overnights@fieldmuseum.org at least one week prior to the overnight event to ensure you are assigned to an appropriate sleeping spot.

Food

Outside food is not allowed. Please only eat in designated eating areas in order to prevent pest infestations in our collections.

On the evening of the event, a free snack will be available in the Siragusa Center. Guests may eat in the Siragusa Center or the Sea Mammal alcoves nearby. The Field Bistro is open in the evening if you would like to purchase dinner. A free continental breakfast will be provided the next morning beginning at 6:45 am.

If you have food allergies and need to bring your own food:

- Seal it in a heavy-duty plastic container (not a Ziploc bag) and label it with your name.
- When you check in, please give your sealed and labeled food container to a Dozin'

staff member, who will retrieve it for you at snack and breakfast time. Please note that, while we will try our best to accommodate you, we may not be able to refrigerate your food container.

- Only eat in designated areas and never in exhibition halls.

Accessibility

We try to ensure that all guests enjoy their time at the museum. If you require accommodations, such as entry through our accessible entrance, please contact us at 312.665.7525 or email overnights@fieldmuseum.org at least one week before your event.

If you or your child require additional support, don't hesitate to contact us.

Safety

- Abide by all instructions given by Museum staff while on Museum premises.
- Only eat in designated areas. Never bring food or drinks other than water into our exhibits.
- Keep your shoes on, except while you sleep.
- Walk—don't run—through the museum.
- Children and their chaperones must stay together at all times.
- Respect fellow overnights and their belongings when exploring exhibitions.

The Field Museum reserves the right to remove guests without a refund from the Museum during Dozin' with the Dinos. Behavior that would merit removal includes, but is not limited to:

- Threats, profanity, or otherwise hostile behavior directed at a staff member or other guests
- Fighting
- Refusal to adhere to museum regulations
- Possession or consumption of alcohol and other controlled or illegal substances

Emergency Procedures

Familiarize yourself with the two stairwells nearest to your sleeping area. In case of an emergency, exit the museum via these stairwells. If you are unable to use the stairs, please make your way to the nearest stairwell and await assistance from a staff member or first responder. Do NOT use the elevators in an emergency. Meet at the entrance to the Soldier Field North Garage across McFetridge Drive and await further instructions.

To ensure the fastest response, always contact our security and staff rather than calling 911. Just look for an adult wearing a Dozin' with the Dinos t-shirt with the word 'STAFF' on the back to find us! The museum layout can pose a challenge to first responders, so it is vital for museum staff to be in direct communication with them to ensure an effective response.

Security

The Field Museum Protection Services department is present inside the building 24 hours a day. You can find a Protections Services Officer and other staff in Stanley Field Hall.

Bags may be subject to random checks upon arrival. Outside food, drinks, alcohol, and controlled substances are not permitted.

While we encourage you to leave your belongings in your sleeping area, we highly recommend keeping your valuables with you at all times. The Field Museum is not responsible for any lost or stolen items.

First Aid

An Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) is onsite in the first aid room. If you or someone in your group needs assistance, please tell a staff member or Protection Services Officer. They will escort you to the first aid room.

Departure

Pack and clear your supplies by 8:30 am the next morning. Any items left in the exhibits past this time will be removed. Please move your car out of the North Garage by 9:00 am. If you need to leave before 8:00 am, check with our staff or Protection Services to see which doors are available to exit.

Extending Your Stay

Continue exploring the museum after the event ends! Basic admission is included with your ticket. You can rent a locker to store your things or pack them away in your car. Just remember to have a Dozin' with the Dinos staff member stamp your hand so you can re-enter the museum after 9:00 am.

If you are staying on Museum Campus, you can pull back into the North Garage and pay the daily rate or drive closer to the Adler Planetarium to find a metered parking spot.