

## Civic Education Tour in Tallahassee

The City of Tallahassee hosts a multitude of educational and historical opportunities for youth councils who wish to visit the capital of Florida. The Florida League of Cities has compiled suggestions and basic information to help you plan your visit.

### Cascades Park (City of Tallahassee Park)

- **Hours:** 24/7
- **Cost:** Free
- **Website:** <http://discovercascades.com/>

### Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University

- **Hours:** M-F 9:00-5:00
- **Cost:** Free
- **Website:**  
<http://www.famu.edu/index.cfm?NewStudentOrientation&CampusVisits>
- **Note:** Submit a tour request through the website.

### Florida's Capitol Complex

- **Hours:** M-F 8:00-5:00, closed on the weekends and holidays.
- **Cost:** Free
- **Website:** <https://www.floridacapitol.myflorida.com/>
- **Note:** Guided tours must be scheduled 10 weekdays in advance, minimum of 15 people. Call (850) 488-6167 to schedule tour.

### Florida Historic Capitol Museum

- **Hours:** M-F 9:00-4:30, Saturday 10:00-4:30, Sunday and Holidays 12:00-4:30. Closed on Thanksgiving and December 25.
- **Cost:** Free, suggested donation of \$1 per student and \$3 per adult
- **Website:** <http://flhistoriccapitol.gov/>
- **Note:** Submit tour request through the website.

### Florida Governor's Mansion

- **Hours:** M-F 10:00-4:00
- **Cost:** Free
- **Website:** <https://www.floridagovernorsmansion.com/>
- **Note:** Call (850) 717-9345 to schedule a tour.

### Florida State University

- **Hours:** M-F 8:00-5:00

- **Cost:** Free
- **Website:** <https://visit.fsu.edu/registration/tours/>
- **Note:** Submit a tour request through the website.

#### The Grove Museum

- **Hours:** Tours on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday at 1:00 p.m., 2:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. and tours on Saturday at 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m., 1:00 p.m., 2:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m.
- **Cost:** Admission is free but tours for groups of ten or more are available at \$1.00 per guest.
- **Website:** <http://thegrovemuseum.com/>
- **Note:** Email [TheGrove@dos.myflorida.com](mailto:TheGrove@dos.myflorida.com) to submit a tour request.

#### Museum of Florida History

- **Hours:** M-F 9:00-4:30, Saturday 10:00-4:30, Sunday and holidays 12:00-4:30. Closed December 24, 25, 31 and January 1.
- **Cost:** Self-guided tours are free, programs and guided tours \$1.00 per student.
- **Website:** <http://museumoffloridahistory.com/index.cfm>
- **Note:** Submit a tour request through the website.

#### Supreme Court of Florida

- **Hours:** M-F 9:00-4:30, excluding Federal Holidays.
- **Cost:** Free
- **Website:** <https://www.supremecourt.gov/>
- **Note:** Submit a tour request through the website.

#### Visiting Your Legislators:

Call your legislators office to schedule an appointment.

- **Senate:** <http://www.flsenate.gov/Senators/#Senators>
- **House:**  
<https://www.myfloridahouse.gov/Sections/Representatives/representatives.aspx>

## Parking:

### Kleman Plaza

- **Hours:** 24/7
- **Cost:** \$2.00-\$7.00
- **Website:** <http://www.talgov.com/realestate/res-parking.aspx>
- **Note:** Within walking distance of Florida's Capitol Complex, Florida Historic Capitol Museum, Museum of Florida History and Supreme Court of Florida.

### Downtown Parking Map

- **Website:** <http://tallahasseedowntown.com/wp-content/uploads/2017/09/downtown-parking-map-jan-2017.pdf>

## Sample Civic Education Tour

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| Time:<br>9:00 a.m. to<br>10:00 a.m. | <b>Museum of Florida History Tour</b><br><br>Highlights of the Museum: A guided tour through the Museum galleries, briefly touching on important people and ideas in Florida's history. After the guided tour, students are welcomed and encouraged to explore the galleries at their own pace.<br><br>Chaperones must get parking voucher from inside to park for free. |
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| Time:<br>10:30 a.m. to<br>11:15 | <b>Governor's Mansion Tour</b><br><br>Learn about the history of the Governor's Mansion and tour its rooms open to the public. |
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| Time:<br>11:45 p.m. to<br>12:15 p.m. | <b>Lunch</b><br>Park in Kleman Plaza<br><br>Walk to New Capitol for lunch in Cafeteria (North side of the Lower Level)<br><br>Visit the 22 <sup>nd</sup> Floor of Capitol Observatory and Gallery. |
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| Time:<br>12:30 p.m. to<br>1:15 p.m. | <b>Florida's Supreme Court Tour</b><br><br>Student Educational Program |
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| Time:<br>1:30 p.m. to<br>2:30 p.m. | <b>Florida's Historic Capitol Museum</b><br><br>Highlights Tour: A guided tour of the Historic Capitol's restored areas and exhibits. |
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