

# Information/Resources:

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For general information about all programs  
and to schedule your field trip.

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*All tours are free. Pre-registration is required.  
Please schedule well in advance for these  
popular programs.*

## ONLINE RESOURCES:

For information about the State House:  
<http://www.leg.state.vt.us>

For information about Congress and state legislatures  
through a variety of interactive games:  
[http://www.democrackids.org/demo\\_kids\\_1/  
main.swf](http://www.democrackids.org/demo_kids_1/main.swf)

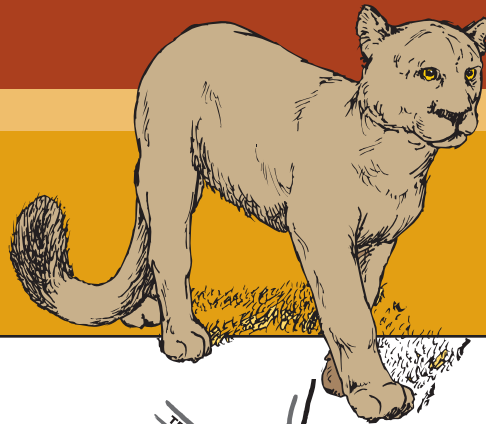
Classroom resources from Vermont Historical Society:  
<http://www.vermonthistory.org>

Free educational material from the Secretary of State:  
<http://www.sec.state.vt.us/kids>

## OTHER RESOURCES:

To supplement your visit and schedule, we offer  
relevant videos as well as a self-guided historic  
walking tour of Montpelier. State House individual  
audio wand tours are available to small groups.

# How to find Us:



## DRIVING DIRECTIONS:

*From I-89:*

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| 1. Exit 8 towards US-2/Montpelier                                  | 0.5 miles |
| 2. Merge onto Memorial Drive                                       | 0.7 miles |
| 3. Turn left onto Bailey Avenue                                    | 0.1 miles |
| 4. Turn right onto State Street                                    | 0.2 miles |
| 5. Turn left onto Governor Aiken Avenue                            |           |
| 6. Bus drop off and pick up at the top of<br>Governor Aiken Avenue |           |
| 7. Capital Shuttle Parking Lot on<br>Green Mountain Drive          |           |

# Visit Vermont's Capital

*Plan your next field trip  
to Montpelier*



# Vermont State House

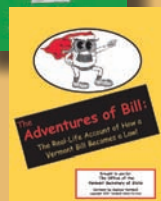
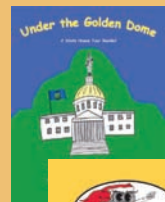
# Vermont History Museum

# Vermont Supreme Court



## ***Legislative and Executive Branches***

Walk through one of the nation's oldest and best preserved state capitols. Learn the history of Vermont as you view paintings, sculptures, architectural styles, and furnishings. Enter the House and Senate Chambers; arrange to meet with your legislator during your field trip. Elementary students enjoy learning the basics of the legislative process during the Under the Golden Dome Tour. Tours for middle school and older students focus on the legislative process in more depth. A role play tour, requiring pre-visit classroom work, is also available to this age group.



Workbooks, provided by the Secretary of State, are sent to your students when you schedule your field trip. A visit to the State House aligns with the Vermont Department of Education Social Studies Grade Expectations.

 Tours are available Monday-Friday.


## ***Freedom and Unity: One Ideal, Many Stories***

Experience Vermont history in an interactive museum. Explore an Abenaki wigwam, try an authentic telegraph, and investigate a World War II era living room. Guided tours include a focus activity of your choice:

- Abenaki Life*
- Merinos to Mittens*
- Messages in Morse Code*


School groups may also participate in self-guided tours or scavenger hunts. "You Be the Historian," a hands-on workshop for grades 4-9, is offered for a fee of \$2 per student.

A visit to the Vermont History Museum fulfills Vermont History and Social Sciences Standards 6.4, 6.5, 6.6, & 6.8.

 Tours are available Tuesday-Saturday.

## ***Judicial Branch***

Sit in the Supreme Court Chamber. Learn the role of judges and attorneys and how the Court system works. Grade 6 and older students can participate in a Mock Trial Role Play by re-enacting an actual case heard by the Court.

 Program available only two days per week, three groups per day.

*"My students have enjoyed the Supreme Court program because they have the chance to play the role of justices and lawyers. Experiential learning is essential for student engagement, especially with young adolescents."*

