Snoozeums are a rare opportunity for families with children ages 6-12 to visit the Museum after dark. This guide will help answer questions as you prepare for our unique event. If you still have questions, please call the Snoozeum hotline at (773) 684-1414, Ext. 2687, or email snoozeuminfo@msichicago.org.

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Making a Reservation:

Families may reserve spaces at a Snoozeum by calling (773) 684-1414, Ext. 8800. You may dial this extension at any time during the message. The required fee per person is due at this time. We will also ask you the names of those attending and the ages of the children. Group participants must go through their group leader to attend.

When, What, Where:

The Snoozeum begins at 5:30 p.m. and ends at 8:30 a.m. the following day.

You can experience the Museum at your own pace throughout the evening. “Make and Take” activities and a scavenger hunt complement our world-famous exhibits. A sample schedule is included in this guide. A formal Program Map with times and locations of activities, will be handed out when you check in.

Parking in our underground garage is included in admission. Entrance to the garage is a left at the second stoplight after exiting Lake Shore Drive at 57th Street. The Museum can also be reached by train or bus – for maps and directions visit msichicago.org/getting-here.

Please note: MSI is NOT on the Museum Campus (by Soldier Field) but is five miles south on Lake Shore Drive at 57th Street.

Checking In:

Check-in will be in the Museum’s Entry Hall, just off the underground parking garage.

To check in you will be asked to provide:

- A ticket obtained from your group leader, or e-mailed to you (families only)
- A completed Participant Release Form for each participant.

At check in:

- Each participant will be given a color-coded wristband. The color of the band indicates the time that your group is assigned for a Giant Dome Theater film screening, snack and breakfast.
- You will receive a sleeping area assignment. Our staff will then direct you to this area to leave your gear. Please leave your gear rolled up against the wall until lights out so that everyone may walk freely in the exhibit areas. For safety, please do not change this assignment. If you have a problem, please contact a staff member.
- You will receive a copy of the Program Map showing the location of activities and other information to help you enjoy your evening.
- You will receive a fun scavenger hunt to do as you explore the Museum. A separate patch is available to those completing the scavenger hunt. Participating in the scavenger hunt is optional.
For a Fun and Safe Time:

Please follow these rules when attending the Snoozeum:

- Snoozeum guests are expected to abide by MSI’s Visitor Policies at msichicago.org/visit/visitor-policies.
- Adults must accompany children at all times (even to the restroom at night).
- Guests must wear shoes at all times when walking around the Museum (even at night). Think of it as camping without the actual outdoors.
- Don’t unroll your sleeping items until bedtime. We don’t want anyone to be walking on your belongings to see our exhibits.
- Don’t set up your bed in front of marked exits or stairwells, and leave a walkway between people. We don’t want anyone being stepped on in the dark.
- Be respectful of other people and their belongings. Do not run or play on stairways, escalators or elevators. There will be plenty of ways to have fun.
- No food or drink is allowed overnight in exhibit areas. Alcohol is not permitted anywhere.
- Snoozeum guests may bring wagons for their gear, but it must remain parked at your sleep site.
- We ask you observe quiet after midnight. Some people really try to sleep. If your idea of a sleepover is cards and chips until 3 a.m., we have a designated area where you can indulge. An adult must accompany children.
- Museum security officers patrol the premises all night. If you have any problems or an emergency, please contact a security officer or staff member.
- Should an emergency arise, you will be directed what to do by Museum staff and uniformed security personnel. Please follow their directions quickly and quietly.
- Clean up your sleeping area by 8 a.m. Cleaning crews will start going through areas to get the Museum ready to open for the public.
- All bags may be subject to security inspection. Please follow posted signage at the Museum (for example, designated smoking areas outside the Museum (not in our parking garage) and no concealed firearms inside the building).
- No weapons, including knives, pepper spray and stun-guns/tasers are permitted inside the building.
- The Museum reserves the right to ask anyone to leave the Snoozeum -- without a refund and regardless of the hour -- who does not adhere to these rules or because of inappropriate behavior (for example, inappropriate sleeping locations, excessive noise, safety issues or any other disturbances).
- Please notify us at least two weeks prior to the Snoozeum if members of your group have any special needs or accommodations. Refrigeration is available for medicine or special dietary needs. We are better able to accommodate your needs with advance notice.

Payment and Cancellation Policies:

- All reservations are first come, first served. We reserve the right to limit the number of attendees.
- The Museum reserves the right to cancel the Snoozeum at any time.
- Any cancellations by the participant received less than four weeks before the event will be refunded at 50 percent.
- No refunds will be given for cancellations by the participant received less than a week before the event, the day of the event or after the event.
- No tickets are available at the door.
Participant Guide

WHAT TO BRING
- Ticket and Participant Release Form (one per person – must be MSI’s Participant Release Form)
- Sleeping bag, bed roll, pillow etc.
- Cot or air mattress if you wish (electricity is available)
- Washcloth and towel (our public washrooms have only air hand-driers)
- Toothbrush and other toiletries
- T-shirt, shorts or sweats to sleep in (shirt and pants must be worn at all times)
- Layers of clothing—temperatures throughout our building vary
- Earplugs—sorry, there is nothing we can do about people who snore
- Sleep (eye) mask (security lights must remain on all night for safety)
- Flashlight

WHAT NOT TO BRING
- Tents
- Expensive electronics
- Pajamas (shirt and pants must be worn at all times)
- Slippers (please wear shoes to travel around the Museum)
- Food (guests with food allergies may bring their own food, but please do not eat in exhibit areas)

PLEASE CONTACT US IF
- You need electricity all night
- You need any specific accommodations

Snoozeum Hot Line: (773) 684-1414, Ext. 2687

OTHER THINGS TO KNOW
- You will receive your assigned times for a Giant Dome Theater film screening, snack and breakfast prior to arrival. Please note that in early 2020 the Giant Dome Theater will be closed for renovation.
- You will be assigned a sleeping area at check in.
- You will receive a Program Map with all activities at check in.
- You will not be scheduled to do any activities at specific times. How you schedule your evening is up to you. The evening’s program schedule will list events and activities.
- Some Museum exhibits have a limited capacity. Free, timed-entry tickets will be provided on a first-come, first-served basis.
- Overnight parking is included in admission.
- Snoozeum t-shirts will be available for purchase at our Museum Store.
- A Snoozeum patch will be available. All patches for a group will be given to the group leader. Families may pick up a patch at the Information Table anytime during the evening.
- Check in time may change with individual dates. Please check information sent with your tickets.
- A light dinner will be available for purchase at our Brain Food Court.
- The Museum Store will be open. Check the Program Map for exact times.
- Security lights must remain on all night for safety. Some exhibit areas will not be dark. We have complimentary sleep masks if you are having trouble getting to sleep.
- Admission to the Museum for the following day after your overnight is not included in admission to the Snoozeum.
- To contact someone at the Snoozeum in case of emergencies, call 24-hour security desk: (773) 753-2574.
Sample Snoozeum Program Schedule

Schedule subject to change
The Museum reserves the right to substitute experiences as necessary

Evening

5:30–8 p.m. Check in (Entry Hall)
6-8:30 p.m. Dinner available for purchase at the Brain Food Court Burgers, pizza, salads, sandwiches
6–11 p.m. Museum Exhibits
   • Enjoy the Museum’s exhibits until 11 p.m. unless otherwise posted. Check the Program Map you will receive at check in for specific times.
Scavenger Hunt
   • Search out the Museum’s treasures by using the scavenger hunt (to earn a special patch)
Exhibit Tours (until 10 p.m.)
   • The Coal Mine has a limited capacity. Timed entry tickets are available on a first-come, first-served basis.
   • U-505 Submarine: Experience the capture of this historic WWII artifact. Learn about the technology it uses and how men lived on board. Timed-entry tickets are available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Live Science Experiences (times vary)
   • Explore scientific phenomena and technological marvels with our facilitators and volunteers
Make-and-Take Activities (until 10 p.m.)
   • Make your own science toys to take home.

Giant Dome Theater film
   • A current film will be shown at 8, 8:30, 9, 9:30 p.m. The color of your wristband will indicate your group’s pre-assigned time. In early 2020 the Giant Dome Theater will be closed for renovation.

9–11 p.m. Snack Chips, granola bar, fruit, juice and coffee
   • The color of your wristband will indicate your group’s pre-assigned time

11–11:30 p.m. Join your group in your sleep area and prepare for bed

11:30 p.m. LIGHTS OUT!

Morning

6:30 a.m. Good morning!

6:30–8 a.m. Breakfast (Brain Food Court)
   Cold box cereal, muffin, banana, coffee, juice and milk
The color of your wristband will indicate your group’s pre-assigned time.

6:30–8:30 a.m. Museum Store open – bring home a souvenir
   Snoozeum t-shirts are available in the Museum Store

Tell us what you think! Fill out a survey before you leave.

8:30 a.m. End of program Thank you for joining us at the Snoozeum!
Frequently Asked Questions:

**Can I check in late?** Yes. After 8 p.m., you may check in at the Snoozeum Information Table.

**Can I bring food or drink?** Please do not bring any food or drink with you to the Museum. We have a snack and continental breakfast scheduled during your visit (both are included in the cost of the Snoozeum). Exceptions are made if you have specific food allergies.

**Will there be any restaurants open so we can buy dinner?** You may purchase dinner (burgers, pizza, salads, sandwiches) at the Brain Food Court in the early part of the evening.

**Will I get a patch for attending?** Yes. Family participants can pick up a complimentary patch at the Information Table until 11 p.m. Patches for groups will be given to the group leaders to distribute.

**What film will be shown?** One of the current films at the time of your event will be shown. You will be assigned a viewing time between 8 and 9:30 p.m. Information will be sent before the event. Please note that films will be unavailable in early 2020 as the Giant Dome Theater will be closed for renovation.

**Is there a t-shirt available?** Snoozeum t-shirts are available for purchase from the Museum Store for $15 + tax. They are available in adult and children sizes.

**Can I bring an inflatable mattress?** Yes. There are outlets around to use. Please do not blow it up until bedtime.

**Can I plug something in overnight?** Although we have a lot of outlets around, they don’t all stay on all night. Please call the Snoozeum hotline to make arrangements: (773) 684-1414, Ext 2687. You may dial this extension at any time during the message. Leave a message and someone will return your call promptly.

**Can I sleep anywhere in the entire building?** For safety, we will assign you an exhibit area to sleep in. If you sleep in an area other than your pre-assigned one, you will be asked to move. If you have a problem or concern about your assigned sleeping area, please contact a Museum staff member.

**Can we wander and explore the Museum all night?** No. The Museum will be dark and Snoozeum participants will be sleeping throughout the building.

**Can we stay up all night?** If your idea of a sleepover is cards and chips until 3 a.m. we have a designated area where you can indulge. An adult must accompany children.

**Does it get dark after the lights go out?** Not entirely. Safety lights remain on in all exhibits. Some areas are darker than others. If you have trouble getting to sleep, we have complimentary sleep masks, or you may bring your own.

**Does the Museum get cold at night?** The Museum is a very large building. The temperature will vary from area to area. We recommend you bring layers.

**Is first aid available?** Staff trained in first aid will be available throughout the entire evening. Should you have a need for first aid, please notify any Museum staff member.

Questions before the event date? Call the Snoozeum hotline at (773) 684-1414, Ext. 2687.

Questions the day of the event? Call a Museum representative at (773) 684-1414, Ext. 8800.

Questions after 5 p.m. the day of the event or to reach someone at the event? Call our security desk at (773) 753-2574. For a quicker answer, call rather than e-mail, the day of the event.
Participant Agreement and Release Form

ONE FORM PER PERSON

A completed form for each person must be presented at check in.

As a participant of the Snoozeum (Program) at the Museum of Science and Industry, I hereby agree that

- The Museum of Science and Industry (MSI) shall have the exclusive right to establish and modify standards of safety, conduct and behavior of all participants in the Program, and to require strict compliance with the standards as a condition for continued participation in the Program.

- MSI, its officers, directors, employees, volunteers and other individuals acting on its behalf are hereby released by the participant from any and all claims arising out of or in connection with my participation in the Program. This release includes negligence or other fault that result in personal injury, death or property damage during or in connection with the Program.

- I understand that video production and/or photography may be conducted during the Program. I grant full and irrevocable consent to MSI and those acting under its permission or upon its authority, to video and photograph me and to reproduce, copyright, publish or otherwise use the videos and/or photographs for any lawful purpose in all media, including social media, throughout the world without compensation to me. This consent includes the use of my name, likeness, voice and/or any information provided by me.

I have read and agree to abide by all the standards and rules of safety, conduct and behavior regarding MSI's Snoozeum. Furthermore, I acknowledge that the child/youth listed below has read and agrees to abide by such standards and rules of safety, conduct and behavior.

Check one: _____ Adult    _____ Child/youth (under 18)

__________________________________________________________________
NAME OF LEADER & GROUP (AS IT APPEARS ON YOUR TICKET)

__________________________________________________________________
PARTICIPANT’S NAME (PLEASE PRINT)       DATE

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PARTICIPANT’S SIGNATURE

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SIGNATURE OF PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN (if participant is under 18 years)