



# COOPER HEWITT

**BUILD YOUR STUDENT'S DESIGN TOOLKIT! ENGAGE IN A FREE, VIRTUAL HANDS-ON DESIGN FIELD TRIP THAT SPARKS CREATIVITY AND INSPIRES THE NEXT GENERATION OF DESIGNERS.**

## **ANNOUNCING FREE VIRTUAL DESIGN FIELD TRIPS WITH COOPER HEWITT, SMITHSONIAN DESIGN MUSEUM**

Cooper Hewitt, Smithsonian Design Museum is taking our free virtual Design Field Trip national! Whether you are teaching from home or from school, we are excited to bring design to you.

Build your student's design toolkit! Dedicated to educating, inspiring and empowering people through design, our 60-minute virtual Design Field Trip program engages K-12 students in real-life design challenges that spark creativity—all from their home or school. Our interactive field trip inspires the next generation of designers to take action in their community, build self-confidence and self-esteem, and learn how to harness their superpowers to create change for the better.

### **GRADE BAND K-3 DESIGN EXPLORERS**

Young students will make observations in design by exploring line, shape and color!

### **GRADE BAND 4-12 ARTS INTEGRATION**

Explore how we use design to express identity. Explore seals, logos and crests in our community and design a logo that represents you.

### **TAKE THE EXPERIENCE FURTHER EXTENSION RESOURCES**

Engage students in activities that bring their ideas from two-dimensional to three-dimensional prototypes through the [Smithsonian Learning Lab](#).

### **HOW TO REQUEST A DESIGN FIELD TRIP PROGRAM**

Registration is open! Cooper Hewitt's virtual Design Field Trip program is free to all schools across the U.S. There is no cost to participate. Field trips are offered weekdays at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m., from January 4 through June 11, 2021. See our Frequently Asked Questions below for additional details.

**REQUEST YOUR VIRTUAL DESIGN FIELD TRIP TODAY**



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## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### ARE THERE PROGRAM FEES?

No. Our virtual Design Field Trip is a free program.

### HOW MANY STUDENTS CAN YOU ACCOMMODATE?

We can accommodate a minimum of 15 students and a maximum of 30 students. We require that at least 1 classroom teacher be present during the virtual Design Field Trip. If your group requires a smaller group size, please contact [tours@cooperhewitt.zendesk.com](mailto:tours@cooperhewitt.zendesk.com) or (212) 849-8351.

### MY SCHOOL IS LOCATED OUTSIDE OF NYC. CAN WE STILL REGISTER?

Yes—the virtual Design Field Trip program is national. We invite schools from across the U.S. to register for a program. Please note that our field trips are listed in Eastern Time.

### WHAT DO THE STUDENTS DO DURING THE DESIGN FIELD TRIP?

Design Field Trips consist of an introduction to design and the design process; an exploration of objects in Cooper Hewitt's collection, the Smithsonian and beyond; and, engagement of students in a quick brainstorming activity to kick start creativity.

### CAN I REGISTER FOR MORE THAN ONE CLASS?

You can register up to two classes. The two classes can be scheduled on the same date but not at the same time.

10:00 A.M.–11:00 A.M (ET)

1:00–2:00 P.M. (ET)

### HOW LONG IS THE VIRTUAL DESIGN FIELD TRIP?

Each Design Field Trip is 60-minutes long.

### WHAT ARE THE DATES AND TIMES OF EACH VIRTUAL FIELD TRIP?

Virtual Design Field Trips are offered on weekdays between October and June. During the registration process, you'll be able to preference your date and choose from one of the two time slots below.

### WHAT PLATFORM(S) ARE YOU USING FOR LIVE SESSIONS?

All program participants—teachers and students—will need to use Zoom to participate in our virtual Design Field Trips. We are unable to accommodate alternative platforms. Cooper Hewitt will provide a Zoom link prior to your field trip. It is the teacher/field trip coordinators' responsibility to share the Zoom link with the appropriate students and staff.

### WHAT SHOULD MY STUDENTS BRING TO THE WORKSHOP?

Students will need a piece of scrap paper and a writing tool. Students can still participate if a piece of paper and a writing tool is not available. All they need is their creativity and imagination.

### HOW FAR IN ADVANCE DO I NEED TO REGISTER?

Registration must be done three weeks in advance. We only take weekday reservations.

### WHAT HAPPENS AFTER I SUBMIT MY RESERVATION REQUEST?

Your reservation request will be reviewed within seven business days. A confirmation email will be sent to you noting the program date and start time. You'll receive additional information closer to your program date with a Zoom link and suggested pre-visit and extension activities. You will also be connected with the educator leading your field trip.

### WHAT IF MY STUDENTS REQUIRE SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS?

On your reservation request, please indicate special accommodations and information about your group/students in your group so we can provide the most successful experience for all participants. Also, visit <https://www.cooperhewitt.org/accessibility-at-cooper-hewitt/> to learn more about Cooper Hewitt's accessibility services.

### WHAT IF I NEED TO CANCEL MY TOUR?

All cancellations must be received in writing to [tours@cooperhewitt.zendesk.com](mailto:tours@cooperhewitt.zendesk.com) at least two weeks in advance of the scheduled program date.

### WHAT IF I WANT TO RESCHEDULE?

We cannot guarantee that your program can be rescheduled. In order to be considered for a rescheduled date the request must be received in writing to [tours@cooperhewitt.zendesk.com](mailto:tours@cooperhewitt.zendesk.com) at least two weeks in advance of the original date. A new request will need to be received by us at least three weeks prior to the requested date. Please note: repeated rescheduling requests will jeopardize the school's participation in future programming.

