Online Exhibits and Digital Badges
Explore Colorado history online! History Colorado has created interactive exhibits to bring history to life for your students. Rich in multimedia, primary sources and historical photographs, the online exhibits are aligned to Colorado Academic Standards and allow your students to experience Colorado history from any connected device.

Ute Tribal Paths
Explore the history of the Ute people, Colorado’s oldest inhabitants, from time immemorial to the present day.

La Gente
Explore the important role Hispanic Americans played in Colorado history from ancient civilizations to the Chicano Movement of the 1960s.

African American History in Colorado
During the time of racial segregation, Lincoln Hills, the only all African American resort west of the Mississippi, provided a shelter from the storm.

Colorado and the Fur Trade
The Rocky Mountain fur trade brought together cultures and goods from around the world.

Japanese Internment in Colorado
During World War II, 120,000 Japanese and Japanese Americans were forced into internment camps—including one in Colorado called “Amache.”

Go to exhibits.historycolorado.org and start exploring today!

Digital Badges
Explore online exhibits and complete a series of online activities to earn digital badges. Badges add another layer of online engagement and let students create their own unique learning experience in a simple and fun way. Educators can register a class and track each student’s progress or let kids sign up themselves. Badges can be earned in the classroom or as an extension activity and help prepare students for online assessments. These FREE Digital Badges can be earned at three different levels:

- Plains—grades 3 to 5
- Foothills—grades 6 to 8
- 14ers—high school students

Go to the exhibits site and start earning your badges today!

Other Resources for Online Exhibits
Teaching strategies that include grade-appropriate critical inquiry questions and suggestions for how to align lessons to state academic standards as well as extension activities. Resources sets that feature 12 to 16 primary sources including photographs, paintings, drawings, video segments, audio recordings, newspaper clippings and significant documents.

http://historycolorado.org/educators/online-exhibits/digital-badges

New Exhibits!

What’s Your Story?
Opens at History Colorado Center in October, 2019. Look to the journeys toward leadership that Coloradans past and present have taken, and be inspired to take your own. This exhibit shows Colorado leaders not only as extraordinary individuals, but as people who faced similar challenges and experienced some of the same small triumphs that we all do. What will your impact be, and what will your journey to get there look like?

This exhibit will feature:

- Content and themes relevant to middle and high school curriculum
- Inspiration for visitors to see their peers and themselves as leaders
- “Find Your Superpower” digital interactive element
- Recipients of the Colorado Governor’s Citizenship Medal
- Artifacts from past and present Colorado leaders

American Democracy: A Great Leap of Faith
On exhibit from September 2020 through January 2021 during the 2020 Presidential election.

We will bring this exhibit to life through Smithsonian and History Colorado collection artifacts, contemporary objects, touchable artifacts, audio/video presentation from the Smithsonian and The History Channel and immersive technologies such as touch-screen adventures will take visitors beyond the exhibition. This exhibit will feature five major themes and will align with middle and high school civics standards.

- Taking an active role in democracy
- The fight for fair representation
- The machinery of democracy
- The First Amendment
- What makes a citizen

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- Free, exclusive content
- Articles, resources and links
- Exclusive invitations to exhibit previews and events
- Information about Teacher Professional Development

For information about programs, field trips and teacher workshops visit HistoryColoradoCenter.org or email reservations@state.co.us.
History Colorado Center Field Trips

From kindergartners to high school seniors, students love our immersive and experiential exhibits and programs that explore the state’s history, people and environment while aligning with curriculum standards across multiple disciplines. Core exhibits at the History Colorado Center include Denver A to Z, Living West, and Written on the Land: Ute Stories, Ute Voices.

Colorado Time Travelers (Grades K–5)
Explore Colorado’s people and places through hands-on experiences in the galleries. Exploration culminates in a timeline sequencing activity. Aligned to Colorado Academic Standards, the program features skills and concepts covered in third and fourth grade but can be adapted to other grade levels.

Democratic Principles in Conflict (Grades 6–12)
Students explore how democratic principles have shaped Colorado history in times of conflict. The program is designed for middle and high school civics and US history classes. Program includes a pre-visit classroom activity that introduces students to principles of democracy, an exploration of the History Colorado Center’s exhibits, and post-visit classroom activities that synthesize and expand students’ knowledge.

Colorado Water Quest (Grades 5–9)
From Mesa Verde to the Dust Bowl, discover the important role water has covered in third and fourth grade but can be adapted to other grade levels.

Western Work: Colorado Industries of the Past
Through objects, photographs and role-playing activities, students become “entrepreneurs” in some of Colorado’s most important industries. Western Work meets economic, history and geography standards and encourages students to explore natural, capital and human resources through a historical lens.

Boom and Bust: Denver’s History
American, Hispanic, Japanese American.

Artifact Kits
(Grades 3–5)
Packeted with artifacts, photos, information cards and activities, our kits put history in your students’ hands.

Cliff Dwellers
Playing the role of archaeologists, students use tools to “excavate” prehistoric artifacts buried in sand.

Mountain Man
Colorado’s fur trade comes to life as students explore this exceptionally colorful era.

Colorado Miners
Experience the boom and bust cycles of mining in Colorado.

Grandmother Trunks
The objects in these four trunks bring a touch of everyday life at the turn of the century to your students. Choose from: American Indian, African American, Hispanic, Japanese American.

History Take-Out
(Grades K–5)
Can’t come to us? We’ll come to you! History Colorado educators facilitate these hands-on programs at your school. Through objects, photographs and a large wall map of the state, students will uncover the “footprint” of various cultures and industries left behind.

Use Knowledge: Colorado’s Original Scientists
Students investigate how the Ute Indians used science, technology, engineering and math to survive and thrive in the Rocky Mountains. By testing materials, they’ll see how Ute people solved problems in the past and still do today. The program meets history, math and science standards. Reduced fees may be available; please inquire when you schedule.

Moving Day: Colorado’s Migration Story
Students explore the movement of people across Colorado from prehistory to 1870 and become “experts” on each of these cultural groups including Ancestral Puebloans, Mountain Men, Miners, Utes, Plains Indians and Hispanics.

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Duration for grades K–12: 60 minutes
Duration for ECE: 40 minutes
Cost: $75 first class (maximum 33 students), $60 each additional class. Limited scholarship funds available for Title I schools. Additional travel fees may apply.

**History Take-Out is available to schools throughout the state thanks to our partners! Call 303/866-4686 or visit our History Take-Out map at h-co.org/educationmap to find a program partner near you.**

**PLANNING YOUR VISIT TO THE HISTORY COLORADO CENTER...**

- Title I discounts and bus funding are available.
- Request the lunchroom when you make your reservation. Space is limited!
- Partial payment (50%) is due at the time of booking. The remaining balance is due on the day of the field trip. An invoice with amount paid and total due will be emailed.

**Reservations**
To make program reservations, call 303/866-2394 or email reservations@state.co.us.

Cancellation notice of 3 weeks is required for all programs to receive a full refund. Cancellations with less than 3 weeks’ notice are nonrefundable but may be rescheduled within a 12-month period. If the trip is canceled due to inclement weather, schools will be given the opportunity to reschedule if possible or the payment will be returned in full.

Thank you to The Charles M. and Fay G. Schayer Charitable Foundation and Wells Fargo for their generous support for transportation assistance to ensure that all schoolchildren have access to History Colorado programs. For details and an application, visit h-co.org/hco or call 303/866-3345.