



EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

Student groups are always welcome at Shirley Plantation.
A minimum of twenty (20) students is required to reserve a student program.

All student group programs are customized based on the age and number of students participating as well as the length of time scheduled for visiting. Activities listed below may be adapted for students of all ages with some programs best suited to certain grade levels. Advanced reservations are required for group discounts and programs.

Student Group Admission Fees:

Students	.....	\$14.00
Adult Chaperones	.....	\$16.00
Teachers*	.....	\$16.00
Bus Drivers	.....	Free
Tour Operator	.....	Free

*Complimentary admission provided for up to 2 teachers, or 1 per 10 students.

Each student Group package includes a guided tour of the Great House, a self guided tour of the grounds, outbuildings, and gardens, and has the option to play Mission:Shirley or take the Nature Walk as time allows. Additional programs are available for \$2.50 per student per program with prior reservation. Our staff will gladly assist you in planning your visit and coordinating your schedule of activities.

The student-friendly Gift Shop carries an assortment of souvenirs and gift items, as well as books and toys that bolster the learning experience.

TOUR OF THE GREAT HOUSE (30 min.) See the home and experience Colonial life through stories of 11 generations of Hill-Carter family members and those who have lived and worked at Shirley. (K-12)

COLONIAL SCHOOLROOM (30 min.) Participate in a recreated classroom with lessons similar to those learned by young children which include writing on a slate and penning with a quill. (K-12)

GAMES AND AMUSEMENTS (30 min.) Try a variety of 18th-century and 19th-century games including jacks, marbles, jack straws, "Close-the-box", nine pins and lawn bowling. (K-12)

THE MIGHTY JAMES (RIVER) (30 min.) Learn how the James River changed history beginning in 1607 and continues to be one of the most influential rivers in America today. Hands-on activities include a "colonial shopping trip" and walking the banks of the river. (K-12)

CIVIL WAR TO CIVIL RIGHTS (30 min.) Discover the connection between a famed Confederate general and a legendary Civil Rights leader. Confederate General Robert E. Lee and Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr. are two of the South's most quoted men in history with more in common than you realize! (6-12)

SLAVE LIFE AT SHIRLEY (30 min.) Explore the stories of slaves at Shirley Plantation by reviewing copies of family documents and discover the role of archaeology in interpreting slave life at Shirley. (K-12)

COURTESIES (30 min.) Learn the 17th and 18th century social graces young children were taught in Virginia. Compare and practice with the social behaviors of today. (4-12)