

To develop positive values that enrich the spirit, mind and body by providing quality programming for all with an emphasis on youth in Cheshire YMCA service area.



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Overview

For more than 35 years, the New England Heritage Tour Program has had a positive impact on the lives of thousands of youth in the area. The program runs with school board approval. We are privileged to have a dedicated volunteer staff that have a high degree of historical knowledge, travel experience, enthusiasm and devotion to the development of area youth. All volunteer their time, energy and skills for the success of the program. With a return rate of over 50%, some volunteers have been with the program for more than 20 years! The program begins months prior to tour dates. Monthly meetings at local schools give students a background on the various touring sites. We travel by chartered coaches and cover over 500 miles!

Objectives

- ★ Teach major concepts in American History in a hands-on fashion
- ★ Encourage teamwork & group support
- ★ Foster maturity & teach responsibility
- ★ Instill work ethic principles & goal setting
- ★ Provide opportunities for individual growth & leadership development
- ★ Nurture the creation of friendships & life-long memories

Commitment

- ★ Attend monthly evening preparation meetings
- ★ Complete monthly assignments and be ready to share with the study group
- ★ Participate in a YMCA World Service Project to support YMCA work in developing nations
- ★ Uphold high standards of behavior; displaying the YMCA character values of honesty, caring, respect and responsibility
- ★ Getting to know one another and becoming a working "family unit"

Registration and Payment

Students who would like to enroll must attend a registration meeting with their parent or guardian. At the close of the meeting a YMCA staff member will collect registration forms and non-refundable deposits. Families will also choose at this time, a payment option that fits their budget best.