

Exploring the Real Thing

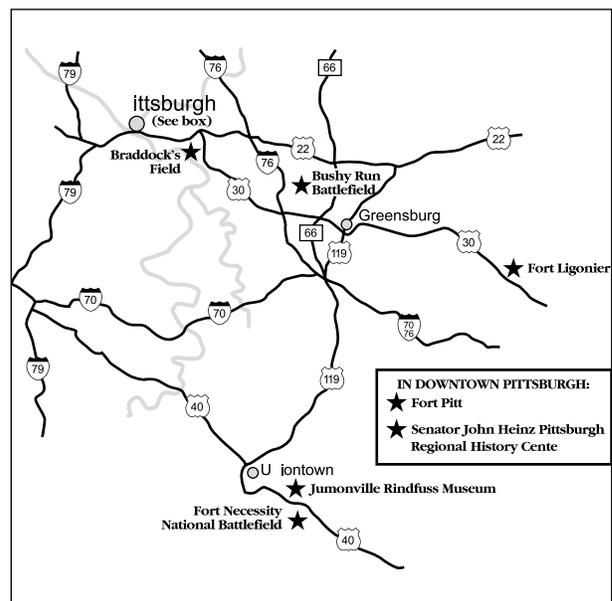
Visiting French and Indian War Sites

The French and Indian War is an exciting topic with many compelling stories. Let your students continue their learning by exploring the real history. By visiting the museums and historic sites associated with the French and Indian War, participants will see and experience the actual places, artifacts and documents that made history. Students will be able to connect the events of the past to experiences today. At the same time teachers will be meeting the standards they are required to teach and providing the students with culminating activities.

Many of the places where important French and Indian War events occurred are open to the public and offer tours for student groups. On the following pages is information about each of the French and Indian War sites that helped sponsor this teacher's education kit.

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Braddock's Battlefield History Center

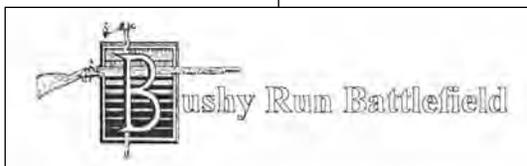
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| Location: | 609 Sixth Street North Braddock, PA 15104 |
| Phone Number: | 412-271-0800 or 412-651-1793 |
| Mailing Address: | 419 Library Street Braddock, PA 15104 |
| Hours: | Tuesday and Saturday, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.; Sundays, Noon to 4:00 p.m.. Other days and times by special arrangement. Hours subject to change. Please call ahead to check. |
| Season: | Year round. |
| Features: | New French & Indian War site located where the famous Battle of the Monongahela began. Exhibit hall includes 55 works of art and maps concerning the Braddock Expedition and Battle, as well as more than 250 genuine artifacts, a video room featuring numerous French & Indian War videos and films and a gift shop/ bookstore. |
| Educational Tours: | Guided and self-directed tours are available, including tech-friendly tours. |
| Time Required: | Approximately one hour for tour. An additional 45 minutes or more for videos. |
| Admission Fee: | Yes. Free to children of local school district and children 6 and under. |
| Website: | www.braddocksbattlefield.com |
| Significance: | Famous "alumni" of the Braddock Expedition and the Battle include George Washington, Horatio Gates, Charles Lee, Daniel Boone, Daniel Morgan, Thomas Gage, as well as Benjamin Franklin. This was the second greatest Native American victory in American history (Custer's Defeat is number 10). It was also Washington's last major military engagement before being selected, 20 years later, to lead the Continental Army in the American Revolution, with his selection being based largely on the reputation gained from this engagement. |





Bushy Run Battlefield

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| Location: | Route 993 between Business Route 66 and Route 130 |
| Telephone: | 724-527-5584 |
| Reservations: | 724-527-5584 |
| Education Tours: | April through October |
| Public Hours: | Battlefield, Year Round, seven days a week, 8:00 a.m. to dusk The museum is open April 1 to October 31, Wednesday to Sunday 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. |
| Mailing Address: | Bushy Run Battlefield P.O. Box 468 Harrison City, PA 15636-0468 |
| Time Required: | Allow 1 hour 30 minutes minimum to tour both museum and battlefield (individuals or families). School Groups allow 2 hours minimum. It is possible to schedule daylong programs. |
| Websites: | www.bushyrunbattlefield.com ; www.phmc.state.pa.us |
| E-mail: | brbhs@winbeam.com |
| Fax: | 724-527-5610 |
| Fee: | Yes |



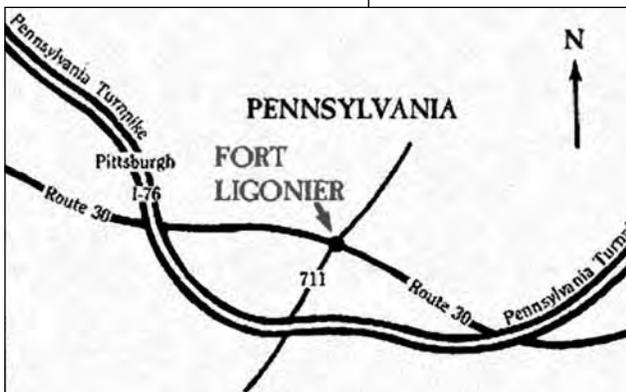
“the Indians thought we were going to break and run away, ... but they soon found their mistake, for we met them with our fire first, and then made terrible havock amongst them with out [our] fixt bayonets, ...they set their heels and were never able to rally again.”

-Robert Kirk, Highland Soldier



Fort Ligonier

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| Location: | Intersection of U.S. Route 30 and State Route 711 |
| Phone Number: | 724-238-9701 |
| Email address: | education@fortligonier.org or marketing@fortligonier.org |
| Web site: | www.fortligonier.org |
| Mailing address: | 200 South Market Street Ligonier, PA 15658 |
| Season: | Open daily from mid-April through mid-November |
| Hours: | Monday to Saturday, 10:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Sunday, 12:00 noon to 4:30 p.m. |
| Educational Tours: | Fort Ligonier offers a wide range of student tours focusing on topics including Military Science, Young George Washington, Native American Heritage, and Colonial History. As an Act 48 Provider certified by the Pennsylvania Department of Education, we also offer several Professional Development Workshops for teachers designed to provide inspiring and creative ideas for integrating history into multiple areas of the curriculum. Call or e-mail for reservations and additional information. |
| Time required: | Programs vary from 1 1/2 hours to day long programs. |
| Fee: | Admission fees range from \$6.00 - \$10.00 per student, depending on the selected program. |
| Directions: | Fort Ligonier is located 50 miles east of Pittsburgh and 12 miles north of Pennsylvania Turnpike Exit #91 (Donegal). |



“During the time the Army lay at Loyalhaning (Fort Ligonier), a circumstance occurred which involved the life of G.W. in as much jeopardy as it had been before or since.”

—George Washington, late 18th century



Fort Necessity National Battlefield

Location:

Route 40, Farmington, PA

Mailing Address:

1 Washington Parkway
Farmington, PA 15437

Phone Number:

724-329-5512

Web Site:

www.nps.gov/fone

Hours:

The Visitor Center is open 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
The grounds are open sunrise to sunset.

Season:

Open every day except New Years Day, Martin Luther King's Birthday, President's Day, Veteran's Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Time required:

1 hour to 4 hours

Fee:

There is a \$1.00 per student fee for guided tours. Self-guided groups can request an entrance fee waiver and tour the park for free.

Educational Tours:

Fort Necessity offers a wide variety of tours for students. Tours focus on hands-on learning with age appropriate activities. Themes include the Battle at Fort Necessity, George Washington, the American Indians and the fur trade. The park also offers professional development for teachers.



“We have.. prepar’d a charming field for an Encounter”

—George Washington. 1754



Contact Information

Fort Pitt Museum

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| Location: | Point State Park, Pittsburgh |
| Telephone: | 412-281-9285 |
| Reservations: | 412-281-9285 |
| Educational Tours: | Offered year round by reservation |
| Public Hours: | Daily 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. |
| Season: | Open daily expect New Years Day, Easter, Thanksgiving and Christmas. |
| Mailing Address: | Fort Pitt Museum 601 Commonwealth Ave., Suite B Pittsburgh, PA 15222 |
| Time Required: | Allow up to 1 hour and 30 minutes to tour the museum. |
| Website: | www.heinzhistorycenter.org |
| Fax: | 412-281-1417 |
| Fee: | Yes |



“...I spent some time in viewing the rivers and the land in the fork, which I think extremely well situated for a fort...”

—George Washington, 1753



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| Location: | 887 Jumonville Road, Hopwood, PA 15445 |
| Telephone: | (724) 439-4912 |
| Fax: | (724) 439-1415 |
| Season: | Year round |
| Hours: | By appointment |
| Educational Tours: | Offered year round by reservation |
| Mailing Address: | 887 Jumonville Road, Hopwood, PA 15445 |
| Time required: | Museum tour, 25 minutes. Braddock Road and Dunbar's Camp tour, 30 minutes |
| Website: | www.braddockroadpa.org and www.jumonville.org/history.html |
| About the site: | Jumonville is rich in history. This United Methodist Christian Camp and Retreat Center, founded in 1941, is directly adjacent to "Jumonville Glen"—the site where, on May 28, 1754 George Washington and his Native American allies engaged the French in his first skirmish—an event that would soon launch a global war. A year later, on July 12, 1755, a dying General Edward Braddock's defeated army stopped here, and Colonel Thomas Dunbar destroyed tons of military supplies before the army continued its retreat along "The Braddock Road." From 1874-1908 a Pennsylvania State Soldiers' Orphans School operated on the grounds, and many of its original buildings still stand. One of them, Anne Murphy Lodge, houses the Rindfuss Museum, which holds over 5,000 artifacts from the French and Indian War as well as children's schoolbooks, toys, clothing, and photographs from the Orphan School. The Braddock Road Preservation Association promotes and preserves the history of Dunbar's Camp, the Braddock Road, and the Orphans School with artifacts, displays, and educational materials and seminars. Their French and Indian War Seminar is offered annually during the 1st Saturday in November. |
| Fee: | Donations accepted. |





Contact Information

Senator John Heinz History Center In Association with the Smithsonian Institution

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| Location: | 1212 Smallman St., Pittsburgh, PA 15222 |
| Telephone: | 412-454-6000 |
| School Program Reservations: | 412-454-6000 |
| Season: | Daily except for Easter Sunday, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day and New Year's Day |
| Hours: | 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. |
| Educational Tours: | The History Center offers a full array of student learning experiences, including docent-led, thematic tours of our exhibits; primary source classes, wherein students work with texts, artifacts, and oral histories; and special events that allow students to make connections between our exhibits, the world, and their lives. We also host National History Day, our premier educational event, which encourages students to hone their research, writing, and presentation skills and compete with their peers. Student learning experiences are aligned to the Pennsylvania Academic Standards and the Common Core Standards. For teachers, we offer open houses and professional development workshops. |
| Time required: | 1 1/2 to 3 hours |
| Mailing Address: | 1212 Smallman St., Pittsburgh, PA 15222 |
| Web site: | www.heinzhistorycenter.org |
| Fee: | Adult: \$15.00; Senior (62+): \$13.00; Student: \$6.00; Children 6-17: \$6.00; Children 5 and Under: Free. Convenient parking is right across the street. Group rates are available. |

