

School Group Student Specials 2024/2025

Our local merchants are pleased to offer a wide variety of activities to enhance the Columbia experience for students this year. Please contact each merchant directly to set up reservations well in advance of your field trip.

Bella Union Restaurant

Location: Corner of State and Main St.

Restaurant can accommodate 120 people in the dining room, 140 in the Banquet Hall and up to 80 in the outside dining area (weather permitting). A staff member can give a talk on what food was like in the 1850s, including prices, availability, storage, preparation, and more interesting facts, if requested in advance Foods of the Gold Rush baking demonstration includes historical background and interactive preparation.

- \$5/student with a minimum group of 10 or more students
- Choice of Miner's Pasty, Hard Tack or Oven-Dried Apple Chips
- Grab N' Go lunch menu starting at \$6
- For reservations, please call 209-532-0663 or e-mail: columbiahouse1850@gmail.com

Brown's Coffee House and Sweets Saloon

Location: 22760 Main Street

- Full Espresso Bar, fresh baked goods, ice cream, great lunch specials, wraps and salads.
- Gold Rush Sarsaparilla, local jams, jellies and honey, hardtack, and house-baked dog cookies.
- For pre-paid lunches, ice cream or baked goods and school discounts, contact us at BrownsCoffeeHouse@yahoo.com

Columbia Booksellers & Stationers

Location: 22725 Main Street

Discussion and demonstration of early American school curriculum, writing implements, games, and toys.

- 20-minute sessions
- Minimum session fee \$5 per student, includes 1 free quill pen
- Limited to 10 students per session
- To schedule, contact us at (209) 650-6150 or rsharps@columbiavarietystore.com



City Hotel Restaurant and What Cheer Saloon

Location 22726 Main Street

- Up to 50 students plus chaperones at a time on Mondays and Tuesdays throughout the year
- Up to 20 students plus chaperones at a time any other weekday
- Kids lunches \$6 for a hot dog, fries and Columbia's own sarsaparilla or other tales of Columbia's storied past
- For more information visit www.columbiacityhotelrestaurant.com and for reservations (essential) please call (209) 396-1981.



Columbia Candy Kitchen

Location: 22726 Main Street

www.columbiacandykitchen.com or 209-532-7886

The historic Columbia Candy Kitchen is a privately family-owned business that has been making confections in Columbia for over 90 years. The shop features confections of the 1800's, like licorice and hard candy drops with flavors such as peppermint, clove and lemon. These candies are made on an 1873 hand crank roller that is still used today. Candies are sold by weight as they have been since the Gold Rush. Current-day favorites are also available.

- Open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. All visitors are welcome to experience what an old-fashioned candy store is like.



Columbia Mercantile 1855

Location: 11245 Jackson Street (corner of Main and Jackson Streets)

Eureka! I found it! A student and teacher favorite! Experience a unique Gold Rush-style REAL grocery store with all the modern conveniences and history lessons, too. Look for your hard-to-find favorites here!

- Open Daily 9 – 6 PM, competitively-priced local and international products, ready to eat breakfast and picnic items, staples to specialties.



- Large and varied selection of plant-based, dairy-free, gluten-free, and allergen-free options
- Old-fashioned and modern favorite candies and snacks, ice cold Sarsaparilla and sodas, energy drinks and coffee, local kettle corn and more
- OTC pharmacy and sundries
- Pre-order baked sourdough bread for your group 2 weeks before your visit and get 10% off, for more information, email: ColumbiaMercantile1855@gmail.com Visit FB/Instagram: ColumbiaMercantile1855 We accept cash, credit cards and EBT. Check our reviews!

Columbia Stage Line and Stable

Students and chaperones will experience Gold Rush era travel by stagecoach. Hide your valuables because armed bandits have been reported in the vicinity!

- Student/chaperone rate is \$12 per seat
- No minimums or deposits required
- All forms of payment accepted
- For reservations, please call (209) 768-0043



Ebler's Leather & Saddle Emporium

Location: 22751 Main Street

Leather goods, i.e., belts, shoes, clothing, gifts and handmade saddles and special orders.

- Student leather craft class is on hold and may resume next year.
- Visit our website: www.eblerleather.com
- For more information call 209-532-1811

Fallon House Ice Cream Parlor

Location: 11175 Washington Street

Old fashioned ice cream parlor

- Ice cream, house-made waffle cones, sundaes, soda, milkshakes, malts, sarsaparilla, cookies, and espresso.
- For information on Ice Cream Socials, prepaid groups and school discounts contact us at 209-532-2876 or FallonHouseIceCreamParlor@yahoo.com



Matelot Gulch Mining Co.

Location: corner of Main & Washington Streets

Adventure Panning—Panning demonstration by instructor, then students try their own luck in search of gold and gems. They keep what they find as a souvenir. \$6.00 per student



- Eureka Package—As above but includes a 24-karat gold bottle. \$9.00 per student
- Golden Deluxe—Add a rocker box demonstration. \$15.00 per student
- For reservations contact us at 209-532-9693 or matelotgulchmining@gmail.com

Kamice' Photographic Establishment

Location 22729 Main Street

21st century photographs in 19th century costume

- For special school pricing, appointments must be made at least one week in advance. Students must be from a California State public, private, or charter school.
- For information or to schedule an appointment: 209-532-4861, photo.kamice@gmail.com, www.photosincolumbia.com



Parrott's Blacksmith

Location: 22737 Main Street

Blacksmith demonstration, including horseshoeing, wagon wheel repair, and pick and tool sharpening

- 20-minute demonstration followed by question & answer session
- Personalized "Lucky Horseshoe" for each student (send list of names at least two weeks ahead)
- Group rates 15 or more; \$8.00 per student
- For reservations call 209-743-3708



Seven Sisters Soap & Candle Co.

Location: 22719 Broadway Street

Hands-on candle dipping in fenced Candle Courtyard

- 5-8 students, with chaperone per session
- \$2 - \$8 each (most students dip \$2-3 candle)
- For reservations call 209-536-9047
www.sevensisterssoapandcandle.net



Fallon House Theater SRT

Performances by a professional non-profit theater company in the Historic Fallon Theater

- Public K-12 school student rate - \$15/ticket
- www.SierraRep.org
- School Groups can attend any scheduled performance and get specially discounted pricing – Call or email for more info! groups@sierrarep.org, tickets@sierrarep.org or 209-532-3120 Option 5

St. Charles Saloon

Location: 22801 Main Street,

Historic saloon serving brick oven pizza.

- Two slices of pizza (pepperoni, Hawaiian or cheese) and a sarsaparilla for \$5.
- For additional information contact us at (209) 288-2258