

SCHOOL TOURS: Planning for Your Visit

We hope that you and your students will have a fun, educational and safe visit to the Parliament Buildings. The following information will help you prepare for your tour.



Before you arrive

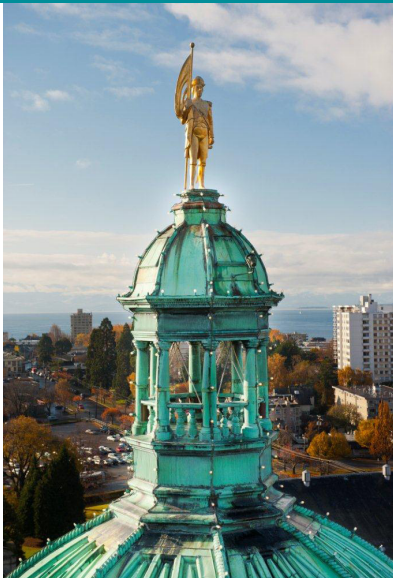
Please review your confirmation email to make sure the details of your visit are correct. Contact the Tour Office at 250-387-9243 if you have any questions or concerns.









Plan to spend 1 – 1.5 hours at the Parliament Buildings. Guided tours last approximately 45 minutes. School groups are allotted an additional 20 minutes in the Public Gallery to observe debates when the Legislative Assembly is meeting. Please let us know in advance if you have any time constraints.

We will notify your school's MLA of your visit and invite them to meet with your class. MLAs have very busy schedules so we cannot guarantee that they will be available at the time of your visit. You are encouraged to invite your school's MLA to visit your classroom when the Legislative Assembly is not in session.

The Tour Office can take a digital photograph of your group in the building. Please complete the attached [Photo Consent Form](#) and bring it with you on the day of your visit.

Educational resources



-  Visit our [Learning Resources](#) page for lesson plans, classroom activities, posters, fact sheets, and videos.
-  Visit our [Discover Your Legislature](#) page for an interactive program on the Legislative Assembly and the history of the Parliament Buildings.
-  View the Chamber Poster ([English](#) / [Français](#)) to see inside the Legislative Assembly.
-  See Bills introduced during the [current session](#) of the Legislative Assembly.
-  View the [MLA Seating Plan](#) in the Legislative Assembly.
-  Visit the [MLA Finder](#) to learn more about your school's MLA, including biographical information, their voting record, and the list of topics that they have spoken about during the current session of Parliament.
-  View the [Progress of Bills](#) in the Legislative Assembly.
-  View full [transcripts](#) and [video](#) of proceedings (including special events such as the Speech from the Throne and visits from distinguished guests).

Emergency & other information

Legislative Assembly Protective Services is responsible for security on the precinct. In case of an emergency, Protective Services Staff will provide instructions on what to do. They are also trained in first aid and can assist in cases of medical emergency.

Eating and drinking is not permitted inside of the Parliament Buildings. Groups are welcome to eat at one of the picnic tables by the fountain behind the Library or on the lawns. You may also order lunch boxes to pick up from the [Parliamentary Dining Room](#). Please be aware that signs, apparel, and clothing featuring political statements are not permitted in the Parliament Buildings.

