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Who is eligible to use the Downeaster Discovery Field Trip Program?

Discovery fares are available to school (K-12) and youth groups (children ages 18 and under) of at least 15 persons, including chaperones. The following maximum number of adults (teachers & chaperones) will be permitted at the discounted Discovery fare per group:

- Grades 5 and under: 1 adult per every 3 students
- Grades 6–12: 1 adult per every 6 students

Additional adults may accompany the group, but will be charged the regular adult fare. Reservations can be made online at AmtrakDowneaster.com or by calling 1-800-USA-RAIL. The maximum total group size permitted 75 persons.

When can Discovery Groups travel?

Travel must occur Sunday–Thursday from September–June, with the exception of blackout dates (typically school holidays).

Where are the Downeaster Stations?

Downeaster stations are located in Brunswick, Freeport, Portland, Old Orchard Beach, Saco, Wells, Dover, Durham, Exeter, Haverhill, Woburn, and Boston. For directions to the stations and schedules, visit our website, www.AmtrakDowneaster.com

Where is the Downeaster Station in Boston?

The Downeaster arrives into Boston's North Station, located on the street level of the TD Garden. North Station is convenient to both the Green and Orange Subway Lines. When you arrive, take a left on the concourse. Exit the building and take a right out of North Station, then take the tunnel to the subway station. Subway maps and Boston transportation information is available online at www.mbt.com

OTHER THINGS YOU MIGHT LIKE TO KNOW

Are there bathrooms on board? Yes, every car is equipped with a lavatory.

Can you eat on the train? Yes, there is an onboard Downeaster Café that serves light meals, inexpensive snacks, and beverages. Students are welcome to visit the café car!



Can students get up and walk around? Comfort is one of the best parts about train travel! Seating is spacious and students are welcome to move about the train as long as they observe all safety rules and are not disruptive to other passengers.

Can items be left on the train? The train on which you travel to Boston will most likely not be the one on which you return home. No items can be left on the train.

What if there are last minute cancellations? Unfortunately, because of the nature of the program, tickets are non-refundable and dates/schedules cannot be changed within 14 days of departure.

What if there is a snowday? Every effort will be made to reschedule your group.

FOR MORE INFORMATION and RESERVATIONS

Have more questions?

If you have questions regarding the Discovery program, or your reservation, call the Amtrak Group Reservation Desk at 877-872-2321. The Downeaster Discovery Program is available only on the Amtrak Downeaster service between Brunswick, ME and Boston, MA.

