



Thank you for choosing Consolidated Gold Mines
for your next group trip!

We appreciate your business and look forward to
taking your group on an underground adventure!

This guide will help you plan your trip to Consolidated. We will handle everything, from your arrival to departure, so kick back, relax and enjoy the adventure!

The information in this guide will be aimed at groups of 25 or more that have made reservations in advance and are traveling by school bus or charter bus. If your group requires additional help planning, please let us know. We are happy to help!

When You Arrive

We will guide your bus to the correct parking area.

Leave your group on the bus and check-in with one of our Miners that will meet you in the parking lot.

- You will need to know how many kids, teachers/adults you have with your group. Please have this number ready.

For large groups, we will help you determine how to break your group down into smaller groups. Each group will be assigned a Miner that will guide you through the activities.

- Small groups will need to be 30 people or less. This includes students, teachers, **and adult chaperons** if applicable.
- Groups will need to be similarly sized. For example, a group of 40 would be broken into two groups of 20 as opposed to one group of 30 and one group of 10. We will help you pre-plan your groups when we confirm your reservation a week prior.

After We Break Your Group Down

Each of your groups will have a restroom break before starting activities. While one group is using the restroom, the other groups will wait.

- Encourage your students to wait their turn for the restroom.

Once a group is finished with the restroom, we will start an activity. Your Miner will know which activity to start first and will keep you on pace

throughout your trip. It is very important that each group waits their turn to visit the restrooms so that we do not have a back-up, overlap, or delay in your group's activities.

For Groups GEMSTONE MINING (Our Most Popular Option)

- We will provide a re-closeable bag for your students' gemstones.
- Please bring a Sharpie or permanent marker to write your students' names on the bags.
 - Index cards with your individual students' names are also a great way to identify gemstone bags. Consider making ahead of time and allowing the student to decorate his or her card. Bring the card with you and drop it into your gemstone bag for easy identification.
 - Labels DO NOT work well as the bags are typically wet from mining.

For Groups Gold Panning

- We will provide a plastic bottle for students to put their gold in.
- Our instructors will help finish each pan to ensure no gold is lost.

Payment

You will be responsible for payment based on the number of participants on the day of your trip. If you are planning a trip over multiple days, payment will be required for **each** day.

Payment can be made in the form of:

- School, business or company check
 - No personal checks will be accepted
 - Checks should be made out in exact amounts. **No cash or refunds will be given for overages or miscalculations.**
- Visa, Master or Discover credit and debit cards
- Cash
- One payment is required for entire group in order to get the group rate. No individual payers will be allowed the group rate.

Parent chaperones must be included in the school's payment in order to get a group rate discount.

Parents paying at the door **will not** get a group rate. Adult tickets at the door will be charged full posted admission rates and tax will apply.

Gift Shop

Our store is kid friendly and will be available at the end of your activities by teacher's request. We offer many items \$5 and less. Typical items are \$1, 3, 5, 7, 10, 12 and 15 (tax included if students are paying with cash).

We have rocks and minerals, gold, gemstones, necklaces, rings, rock candy, and dozens of kid friendly toys, games, and novelties. Each small group will be allowed time in the gift shop before departing. Depending on time, most groups will have at least 5 minutes to shop. Please add shopping time to your overall schedule. Our Miners will help monitor students in the gift shop. Don't worry, we

let kids shop in our store everyday and we are set up to handle the situation with no trouble. Just let your kids have fun, we will watch them and wrap them up in a timely fashion.

General Information

- Most trips take about 1 hour, not including gift shop, to complete activities. Premium packages should allow longer.
- Strollers, walkers, scooters or wheelchairs are not permitted on the underground tour.
- Students that are unable to participate in the underground tour, due to disability, will be allowed extra time in the mining area.
- The Underground Tour is a walking tour with stairs and ramps.
- Closed toed shoes are required.
- The Mine stays 55-60 degrees year-round.
- Covered picnic shelters are available. Picnic tables are not reserved and are offered on a first- come first-served basis.

If you have questions, you can reach our booking staff at consolidatedgoldmine@gmail.com.