

Lake Erie Science Field Trip Visitors Guide



ACCESS AND TRANSPORTATION

The most direct ferry route is an 18-minute trip via Miller Boat Line, which departs from Catawba Island, Ohio. Vehicles may be taken on this ferry line to South Bass Island. For group rates and information call Miller's main office at 1-800-500-2421 or visit their website at millerferry.com.

Ferry service from Port Clinton is also available via the Jet Express (passenger-only service). This ferry docks directly in the downtown area of Put-in-Bay. For group rates and information call them at: 1-800-245-1538 or visit their website at: www.jet-express.com

Transportation from either ferry dock to the Stone Laboratory dock on South Bass, is your responsibility. **Stone Laboratory does not provide bus service.** Groups need to make bus arrangements through the Island Transportation Company by calling 419-285-4855. They can also provide information about bike rentals, South Bass Island tours, Perry's Cave and much more.

WHAT TO BRING

Pack items in waterproof luggage or garbage bags

- Comfortable field clothes (they may get wet)
- One pair of extra field shoes (comfortable shoes for walking in water or mud that will dry easily) and extra socks
- Warm jacket and/or raincoat, sweaters and/or sweatshirts
- Sleeping bag or bed roll, pillow and pillowcase (for single beds)
- Bath towels and personal toiletry items
- Flashlight with working batteries
- Calamine lotion, sunscreen and any needed medications

We recommend that you bring warm clothing, as weather on western Lake Erie can change suddenly. The temperature is often cooler in the spring because of the lake water temperature.



POINTS OF INTEREST

For Put-in-Bay tour information and details on group rates, please contact the individual place of interest at the following numbers.

Perry's Monument	419-285-2184
Crystal Cave	419-285-2811
Perry Cave and Gem Mine	419-285-3045
Put-in-Bay Chamber of Commerce	419-285-2405
Boardwalk Water Taxi	419-285-6183

CHAPERONES

Stone Laboratory requires adequate adult supervision for all activities. Two adults should supervise no more than 15 children. We suggest adults place themselves throughout the housing facilities in order to properly supervise in the evening hours.

OHIO STATE HAS A NO SMOKING POLICY

Smoking is prohibited on all Ohio State University property. Please share this information with all adults and chaperones that will be coming to Stone Lab.

WATER

Do not drink from the lake water taps (marked in red) in the Laboratory's first floor. Otherwise, water in the dorms, dining hall, lavatories and drinking fountains is from the Village of Put-in-Bay and meets all health requirements for drinking.

COMMUNICATIONS

The following numbers should be used when calling one Stone Lab phone to another Stone Lab phone:

Dining Hall phone.....	5-1805
Harborview Common Area	5-1828
Barney Cottage Common Area	5-1883
Bayview Office (Main Office on South Bass	5-1800
Fax Machine	5-1878

If using a cell phone please add 419-28 to the above numbers when dialing into a Stone Laboratory phone.

FIRST AID AND MEDICAL ATTENTION

First aid kits are located in the laboratory, in the Dining Hall and in the Research Building on South Bass Island. Please become familiar with their locations. Each of the large boats are also equipped with first aid kits. In case of a serious medical emergency, call 911. Depending upon the severity of the injury/illness and/or the time of day we do have access to transportation to mainland hospitals, including St. Vincent's Lifeflight.

EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

Phones are available in each common area.

In the event of a serious injury:

1. Call 911, making sure to tell them your exact location, building and island.
2. Contact a Field Station Assistant. In the evening they will be in Gibraltar House.
3. Contact Lab Manager Matt Thomas at 5-1846 or Assistant Lab Manager Kevin Hart at 5-1880.

FIRE

We have never had a serious fire on Gibraltar, and precautions should be taken to insure our continued safety. Locate all possible exits in your housing facility and note where fire extinguishers are located.

All housing facilities have smoke detectors in the bedrooms. The detector system in the Dining Hall, Harborview Dorm and Stone Laboratory activate the entire building.

In case of an alarm, evacuate the room immediately and contact the staff for assistance. Every alarm is treated as a real emergency.

Put out a small fire with a fire extinguisher **ONLY** if you are not at risk of injury. Otherwise, seek staff assistance. Call 911 and alert others to evacuate.





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