Sharpsburg, Maryland

Heroes, Heroines & History

Long before Stan Lee and Captain America’s Civil War, fathers, brothers, sons, mothers, wives and sisters of the American Civil War were idealized for their courageous actions and outstanding achievements.

Discover the Heroes & Heroines of Antietam National Battlefield with a full day of immersive student programming. Hear the stories of how the men and women of the war faced the danger of combat, sacrificing his or her own personal concerns for the greater good.

Gather the troops for a journey through the winding roads and hallowed ground of Antietam National Battlefield. Begin your tour of the region at the Antietam National Battlefield Visitor Center in Sharpsburg, Maryland.

Upon arrival view the 26-minute introductory film at the Visitor Center, the film is shown on the hour and the half hour. After the film, set aside some time to explore the on-sight museum and store. Rally the group and board the coach for a battlefield tour with your contracted Step-On Guide from the Pry House Field Hospital Museum.

During the battlefield tour students will learn about the “Angel of the Battlefield,” Clara Barton and her selfless pursuit to care to the wounded during the bloodiest one day battle in U.S. History. Students will also learn about the “Father of Battlefield Medicine,” Jonathan Letterman, the medical director of the Army of the Potomac and the life-saving principles of triage he instituted at Antietam.

Featured Antietam Tour Stops
► Clara Barton Monument
► Pry House Field Hospital Museum
► Burnside Bridge

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Students pose for a group photo on a reproduction Rucker Ambulance at the Pry House Field Hospital Museum!

Pause for provisions with a brown bag lunch or a catered box lunch from Hempen Hill or Applause Catering at the Phillip Pry Barn. Please note reservations required to utilize the Phillip Pry Barn.

After lunch bring history to life with your choice of student programming at the Pry House Field Hospital Museum.

Educational Program Options
► Civil War Triage Game
► Signal Corp
► Civil War Medicine Overview

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