WHAT TO EXPECT AT

A BCM Social Story

BUELL WOW
Children's Museum
HOW WE GET THERE

- Today I am going to visit the Buell Children’s Museum.
- We are going to drive downtown to get there.
- We will park in a parking lot.
- When we get there we will have to hold hands and cross the parking lot.
OUTSIDE THE MUSEUM

- In front of the Museum, there are statues of kids playing instruments.
- In front of the Museum, there are big globes on each side of the door.
WE CHECK IN AT THE FRONT DESK

- We walk inside and walk up to the counter to check in with our names or buy our tickets and we each get a neat toolkit full of art supplies.

- The Museum is big with bright colors.

- There will be lots of kids and their grownups.

- It can be loud in the Museum.

- If I think the Museum is going to be too loud, I can borrow headphones.
WE PLAN OUR VISIT

- We will plan what to do in case one of us gets lost.
- If we have questions, we can ask any of the Museum staff members in an apron.
- Before I start playing, I may want to go to the bathroom.
- If I need to take some time to myself, I can go to one of the Quiet Spaces around the Museum and relax.
LUNCHTIME

- We can pack a lunch to bring with us to the museum.
- There are places where the grownups with little children can park their strollers.
- We can go outside to eat our lunch at a table or on the grass.
QUIET SPACES

- The Museum has Quiet Spaces, where I can go if I need some quiet time.
- There are pillows and books to read in the Quiet Spaces.
I can walk around the museum and see different Activity Tables.

Each table has a different art project or activity to do.

I can use the art supplies in my toolkit to create something special.

A museum helper wearing an apron can help me if I need help.

I can take all of my art projects home with me.
ACTIVITY BINS
(ON SENSORY-FRIENDLY DAYS ONLY)

- I can play with one of the many activity bins throughout the museum.
- If I’d like to play with other bins, I can ask for them at the front desk.
BABY BARN

- I can go into the area called the Baby Barn.
- I will see a pretend tree going up to the ceiling and pictures of the countryside and animals painted on the walls.
- I can explore the mural with seek-and-find worksheets.
HAPPY & HEALTHY

- When I arrive, a museum team member will take my temperature.
- In an effort to stay happy and healthy, we should wear our mask and make use of the hand sanitizer stations found throughout the museum.

TO PREVENT TRAFFIC JAMS and RESPECT SOCIAL DISTANCING (follow the color-coded tape on the floors):

- Green arrows: Safe walking paths
- Yellow: Art stations (1 group at a time)
- Red: Off limits areas/Do not enter
MANY THANKS TO

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Nursing & Therapy Services Of Colorado

For helping to make the Buell Children’s Museum Sensory Friendly. Please take time to visit their booth located near the elevator on the first floor.