

BODIES HUMAN Anatomy in Motion
Discovery Center of Idaho's Field Trip Program FAQs
December 14th, 2018 - March 24th, 2019

This document is intended to help answer questions teachers may have or encounter from parents and administrators related to the *BODIES HUMAN Anatomy in Motion* (BODIES HUMAN) exhibition.

Q: What will my students see at BODIES HUMAN?

A: BODIES HUMAN gives students a rare opportunity to see first-hand, the inner workings of the human body through the display and interpretation of preserved human body specimens. There are over 100 specimens on display, including several full body specimens. Full body specimens are displayed in varying states of motion--for example, kicking a soccer ball, twisting at the torso, singing, or thinking--to show the different biological systems engaged in each state.

Q: What will my students learn at BODIES HUMAN?

A: The main goal of BODIES HUMAN is to educate the public about the inner workings of the human body, as well as to show the effects of poor health, good health and how various lifestyle choices can affect our health. It's an opportunity for everyone to see, up close, how our bodies work and how we're able to do the remarkable things that our bodies are capable of doing.

Q: How will this exhibition help me meet SOLs?

A: The BODIES HUMAN exhibition highlights many key concepts covered in the Idaho Life Science, Biology, and Health standards.

Q: What is the appropriate age level for viewing the exhibition?

A: We believe all ages will benefit from a greater understanding of basic human anatomy and physiology and the lifestyle choices that affect our health. We advise teachers, administrators and parents to decide whether or not this exhibition may be appropriate for their students.

Q: Can I see the exhibition before visiting with my students?

A: Yes! We will be offering a "Teachers Night Out" event for just that reason. This event provides teachers with free access to the exhibition as well as an opportunity to discuss your field trip plans and goals with Education staff. To sign up to receive email notifications of upcoming teacher events, please email education@dcidaho.org. We hope you'll join us!

Q: Do you have an exhibition guide to help me prepare my students for a visit?

A: Yes! The BODIES HUMAN exhibition guide outlines detailed information about the anatomy, physiology, and health related concepts featured at each exhibit. As we near the exhibition's opening, you will find this document for download on the Field Trip page of our website. You will also receive an electronic copy of the guide once you book a field trip. If you find you have remaining questions, or need additional resources to help support your classroom's visit, please don't hesitate to contact our Education team at education@dcidaho.org.

Q: Are the specimens *real* bodies?

A: Yes, they are all human specimens preserved through a process called “plastination” -- a technique that prevents decomposition and preserves the anatomical specimens.

Q: How are the specimens prepared?

A: Plastination, also called polymer impregnation, is a process that replaces the body’s water and fat with plastics that harden into a fixed position. Plastinated bodies are dry, odorless and durable. The process was first developed by Gunther von Hagens in 1977. Today, plastinated specimens are used as teaching aids at medical and dental schools worldwide, including at major universities in the United States. The plastination process takes about a week for a small organ and up to a year for an entire body.

Q: Where do the specimens come from?

A: The specimens featured in BODIES HUMAN were provided by medical schools for plastination and prepared by Nanjing Plastinated Laboratory in Taiwan for educational and scientific purposes. Typically, human specimens are used for the education of medical students. The specimens featured in BODIES HUMAN are also used for educational purposes, specifically, the education of the general public about human anatomy, physiology and health.

Q: Can we visit the Discovery Center and NOT visit the BODIES HUMAN exhibition?

A: Yes! The BODIES HUMAN exhibition will be on display in our second gallery. Entrance to the gallery will be limited to those who purchase ticketed admission to the BODIES HUMAN exhibition. To support this, we have installed a new entry way from our first gallery into the Myrtle wing to allow visitors access to the rest of the Discovery Center. Our intent is to give all visitors choice in their experience as we recognize not all visitors may choose to experience the BODIES HUMAN exhibition.

Q: If we choose not to visit BODIES HUMAN, what will we have access to?

A: General admission will include access to our first and third gallery and Myrtle wing, which is over two-thirds of our overall exhibition space. Our in-house designed and built exhibition, called the 30th Anniversary Collection, will be on display in the first gallery. Our third gallery features our Young Learners area (for ages 4 and under) and our classic exhibits you have come to know and love over the years. Please reference the Center map (Page 3) for more detailed exhibition and pricing information.

Q: Is this the same “Bodies” exhibition that was on display at the Center previously?

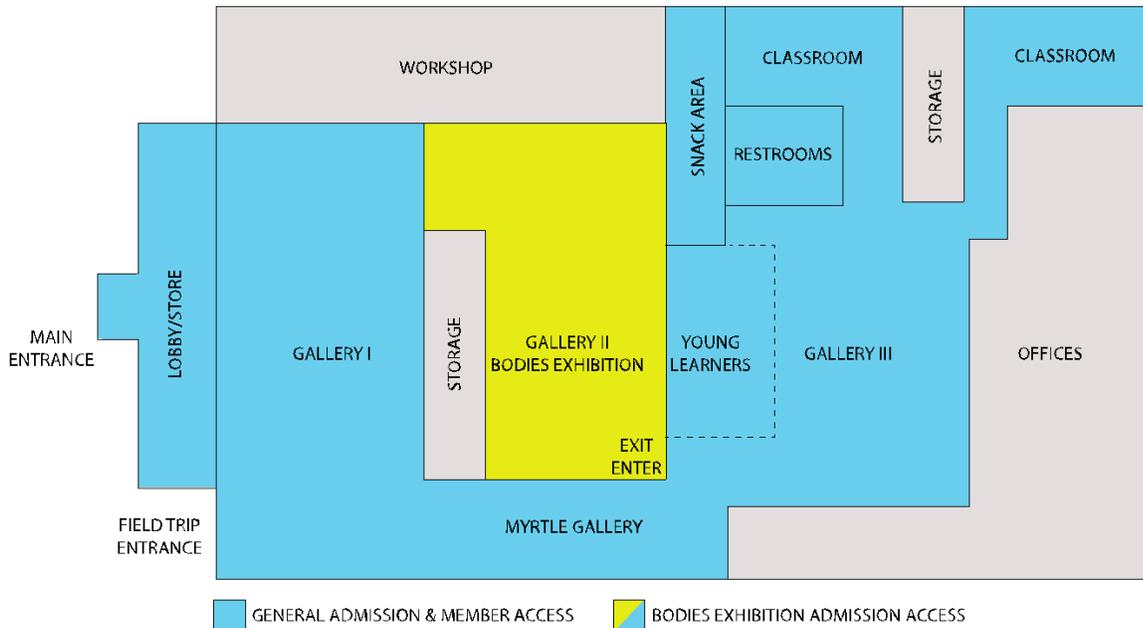
A: No. While the exhibition is similar in content and experience, it is a different exhibition. This exhibition is *BODIES HUMAN: Anatomy in Motion*, while the previous traveling exhibition was *Bodies Revealed*. What makes BODIES HUMAN unique is how it highlights human anatomy in positions of motion allowing visitors to explore and examine the systems that support our dynamic lives.

Q: Does the exhibit cover sensitive topics such as pregnancy or fetal development?

A: No. Each exhibit features adult specimens and none of the exhibits include specimens that display pregnancy or fetal development. You should, however, expect to see specimens of reproductive systems including exposed genitalia on the full body specimens.

2018-19 School Year Field Trip Exhibitions and Pricing

The traveling *BODIES HUMAN Anatomy in Motion* exhibition will run 12/14/18—3/22/19 in Gallery 2. More detailed information about exhibitions can be found on our website, www.dcidaho.org.



	Field Trip Admission	Field Trip Admission w/BODIES HUMAN*	General Admission (without/with BODIES HUMAN)
Standard Field Trip Pricing	\$4	\$6	\$10/\$16 (Youth)
Scholarship Pricing for 30-39% FRL**	\$3	\$5	
Scholarship Pricing for 40-49% FRL	\$2	\$4	
Scholarship Pricing for 50%+ FRL	\$1	\$3	
Additional Chaperones (beyond the 1:5 max)	\$12	\$18	\$12/\$18 (Adult)

*An additional fee, at a reduced School Field Trip rate of \$2 per participant, is required for entrance to the *BODIES HUMAN Anatomy in Motion* traveling exhibition. The remaining Galleries will be open for regular visitation.

**With the generous support of our funders, we are able to offer reduced entrance fees for school field trip students and chaperones, based on eligibility for Free and Reduced Lunch (FRL).