FALL 2026 HOME SCHOOL DAY

Tuesday,
Oct. 27th, 2026



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TOPIC:
Election Experience: Every Vote Matters

Come & Go Activities and Ticketed Programs

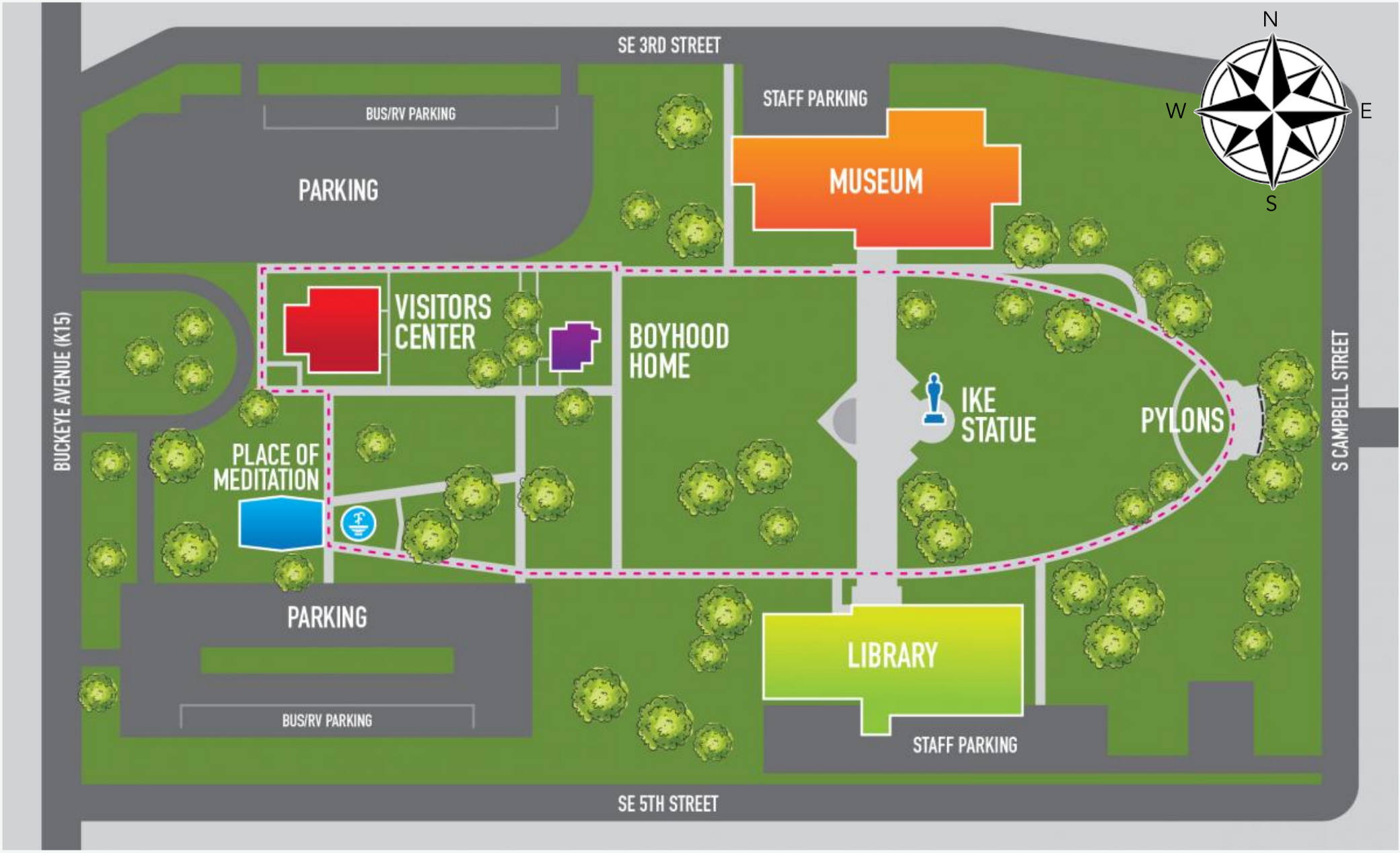
FREE for students ages 5-18
$5 per adult

- Check-in from 9:00 - 9:20 AM for families who have pre-registered by April 7th
- Check-in for walk-ins begins at 9:20
- Programs run from 9:30 AM - 12:30 PM

This event is exclusive to home school students in grades K-12. It is not appropriate for Pre-K.

Learn more and register by Oct. 14th at www.IKEducation.com or scan the QR Code.

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Come & Go

Library Courtyard: Come & Go activities
Museum: (east side of lobby): Self-guided booklets and I SPY. check-in
Library Auditorium: Meet the Candidates

Ticket Required

Museum Classroom: (west side of lobby): Becoming President and Ike And the Television Era

Come & Go Activity options

time	location	activity	grades	ages
9:30 AM - 12:30 PM	Library Courtyard	*Campaign Bingo* *Campaign Buttons* *Attic Artifacts* *Presidential Pit Stop*	K-12th	5-17 years-old
9:00 AM - 12:30 PM*	Presidential Museum*	*I Spy: I like Ike!* *Guide Books*	K-12th	5-17 years-old

* The Eisenhower Presidential Library, Museum, Visitors' Center, and Place of Meditation are open to the public from 9:00 am - 4:30 pm. Your proof of paid registration to Home School Day allows you to visit them on your own even after our planned activities are over. This may be helpful as you plan your day's schedule. This free admission is good only for Oct. 21, 2025.

** An IKEducator will be at a table in the lobby to hand out the search activity. IKEducators will also be in the galleries to offer assistance.

Come & Go Activity options

All of these activities run from **9:30 AM - 12:30 PM,** are located in the **Presidential Library's courtyard** and are open for grades **K-12.**

- **Ike's Campaign Bingo** is a fun, interactive game that introduces students to Dwight D. Eisenhower's presidential campaigns through campaign images, slogans, buttons, and memorabilia. As items are called, students learn quick facts about Ike's campaigns while trying to be the first to get BINGO!
- **I like Ike: An Election Icon**- Create their own campaign button while viewing Election Artifacts.
- **Attic Artifacts: I Like Ike! An Election** Presidential campaign slogans play a large role in promoting different candidates. Some are weak and forgettable, but some are powerful and never leave our memory. President Eisenhower's "I Like Ike!" slogan remains the most iconic in our country's history. Students will get to view many artifacts from Ike's campaigns .
- **THE PRESIDENTIAL PIT STOP** Grab a book. Pick a puzzle. Discover a President! Take a quick **Presidential Pit Stop** and become a history detective! Choose a research template, select a U.S. president, and discover interesting facts about their life, presidency, and time in office.

Students can explore the **Eisenhower Presidential Museum** independently with one of our guide books or participate in **I Spy: I Like Ike!** Explore the *I Like Ike* gallery and put your observation skills to the test! Search for campaign buttons, memorabilia, slogans, and other objects that helped tell the story of Eisenhower's presidential campaigns.

Cast Your Vote!-Head to the Library Lobby and put democracy into action! After hearing from the candidates, cast your ballot for the candidate whose ideas best represent your views and make your voice count in our Homeschool Day election.

Program Options

Tickets are first-come, first-served at check-in for scheduled programs. Please respect the start and stop times. Come-and-go activities do not require a ticket.

Session 1: 9:30	Session 2: 10:30	Session 3: 11:30

Ticketed Program Schedule

time	location	program	grades	ages
Ticket Required 9:30 - 10:15 AM	Museum Classroom (line up in lobby) Limit 25 students	*Becoming President*	3rd-7th	8-12 years-old
Ticket Required 10:30 - 11:15 AM	Museum Classroom (line up in lobby) Limit 25 students	*Becoming President*	3rd-7th	8-12 years-old
Ticket Required 11:30 - 12:15 PM	Museum Classroom (line up in lobby) Limit 25 students	*Ike and the Television Era*	8th-12th	12-17 years-old

Additional Program Options

activity	location	grades	ages
Come-and-Go Activities	Library Courtyard	K-12th	All K-12 students
I-Spy "I Like Ike"	Presidential Museum	K-12th	All K-12 students
Meet the Candidates	Auditorium	K-12th	All K-12 students

Come-and-go activities may be enjoyed as your schedule allows

Ticketed Program options



Grades 3rd - 7th- Becoming President

Offered at 9:30-10:15, 10:30-11:15
Presidential Museum Classroom - line up in lobby

Did you know Dwight D. Eisenhower is the only U.S. President to serve under three different American flags? And that our current flag was first designed by a high school student as a class project? In this program, students will explore real flag redesigns sent to President Eisenhower in the 1950s, then create their own design for a new American flag.



Grades 8th - 12th- Eisenhower & the TV Era

Offered at 11:30 - 12:15
Presidential Museum Classroom line up in lobby

After World War II, Americans enjoyed increasing prosperity. This included the rise of a new technology, television. President Eisenhower embraced this, earning an Emmy and the nickname, the "TV President." Students compare campaign ads from the 1950s to today, explore methods of persuasion, and create their own campaign ad.



Grades K-12 Meet the Candidates (Non-ticketed Program)

Offered at 9:30-10:15, 10:30-11:15, and 11:30- 12:15
Presidential Library Auditorium -Past the room 108, by the IKEducation flag

Visit the Theater to hear from three candidates as they answer questions about important issues and share their different viewpoints. Listen carefully, compare their responses, and record which candidate's ideas most closely align with your own as you prepare to cast your vote!

Commonly Asked Questions

Do I have to pre-register?
We *highly recommend* it. If you have not pre-registered, we cannot guarantee availability. We need to know how many supplies to have ready, and our ticketed programs have limited seats. Those seats go first to pre-registered K-12 students. If you do not pre-register, check-in will begin for you at 9:20 and the *first round of ticketed programs* is not available to your kids. The Come & Go activities are available.

Do I have to arrive before check-in closes at 9:30 AM?
Yes. Without the tickets and proof of payment provided at check-in, you will not be allowed entry.

What if my number of attendees change after I have pre-registered?
That's okay, just make the changes at check-in.

I am an Active Duty or Retired military veteran. Do I pay the $5 registration fee?
Not a penny! We celebrate our Active Duty or Retired military veterans with free entry and gratitude for their service!

Can I get tickets for multiple programs?
When you check-in, you may choose one ticket per K-12 student for a specific time slot. We will not give out "just in case" tickets that would prevent other students from having a spot. Please spend time scheduling out your day for each of your students in order to request only the tickets you will use.

May I bring my pre-K children?
Our programs are not appropriate for pre-K, or children under five years-old. Seating and materials are intended for the K-12 students. If you do bring a pre-K child, please remove them from the room if they become a distraction. Please note that strollers are not allowed in the Museum Classroom.

May my older children attend programs without an adult present?
Yes. Children 9 years-old or above may attend programs on their own while you escort younger children to other programs. However, parents may not leave campus.

May I pay with cash at check-in?
If you did not pre-register and pay online, we will have iPads available for you to do so at check-in. We can accept exact cash payment at check-in, but we cannot provide change.

Do I have to fill out the schedule sheets in order to check in?
Yes, we ask that you please fill out a schedule sheet for each of your children so you have a chance to think through what is available for each age range, as well as where the activities are located and what their start/stop times are. This will help you maximize each of your children's learning experience.

Is food available for purchase on campus?
No. Visitors may picnic on the outdoor areas of our spacious campus, but food is not available for purchase. Abilene does provide a variety of fast food options. Just next door to our campus, you will find a Casey's convenient store and an Original Grande.

Please have student schedules drafted before checking in. See pages 7-8.

Have other questions?

Please send us an email at IKEd1890@EisenhowerFoundation.net.

EXAMPLES OF POSSIBLE STUDENT SCHEDULES

Please have student schedules drafted before checking in.

STUDENT NAME Billy GRADE 2nd

time	Ticket required? Did you get it?	program or activity	location	grade
9:30 - 10:15	☐ YES ☑ NO ↓ ☐ YES	Campaign Bingo	Presidential Library- Courtyard	K-12
10:30 - 11:15	☐ YES ↓ ☐ YES ☑ NO	I Spy I Like Ike!	Presidential Museum	K-12
11:15 - 11:45	☐ YES ☑ NO ↓ ☐ YES	picnic tables	eat our sack lunch	
11:45 - 12:30	☐ YES ↓ ☐ YES ☑ NO	Meet the Candidates	Presidential Library- Auditorium	K-12

STUDENT NAME Lilly GRADE 8th

time	Ticket required? Did you get it?	program or activity	location	grade
9:30 - 10:15	☐ YES ☑ NO ↓ ☐ YES	Meet the Candidates	Presidential Library, Auditorium	K-12
10:30 - 11:15	☐ YES ☐ YES ☑ NO	I spy: I Like Ike!	Presidential Museum	8-12
11:30 - 12:15	☑ YES ☑ YES ☐ NO	IKe nd the Television Era	Museum Classroom	8-12

Use this page to draft your students' schedules **before** checking in to Home School Day.

STUDENT NAME _____ GRADE _____

time	Ticket required? Did you get it?	program or activity	location	grades
	☐ YES ☐ NO ☐ YES			
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