

Guided School Tour Visit
Historic St. Mary's City:
Town Center

HSMC Education Department
Social Narratives for School Tours



Interpreters

- The staff at the Town Center are called *interpreters*.
- *Interpreters* may tell me about the past and the people who lived here!
- These *interpreters* may be in costumes and doing jobs that people in the past would have done.
- I may ask them questions if I have any.



Interpreters

- The *interpreters* may do a *demonstration* for my group.
- A *demonstration* is where the *interpreters* show me how things were done in the past!
- I might get to participate.
- If I don't want to participate, I can say, "no, thank you!"



Print House

- I may learn about a *printing press* during our tour of the Town Center. A *printing press* is a machine that was used to print text.
- I may not touch the printing press unless I ask.



Smith's Ordinary

- I might see Smith's Ordinary during our tour of the Town Center.
- Smith's Ordinary shows the type of place people may have stayed in the 1600s.
- It was like a hotel.



Calvert House

- I might see the Calvert House during our tour of the Town Center.
- The Calvert House not a built house, it is a frame of where Leonard Calvert used to live.
- I might see the bricks that show where his fireplace used to be.
- My tour guide might tell us about *archaeology*. *Archaeology* is the study of things made, used, and left behind by people.



Cordea's Hope

- I might see a building called *Cordea's Hope* during our tour of the Town Center.
- *Cordea's Hope* is a store house. There are lots of goods on the shelves.
- I may look at the items on the shelves.



Places to Rest

- There are picnic tables and benches at the Calvert House area.
- There are also benches inside the Print House and Smith's Ordinary. Both of those places can be quiet.
- If I am thirsty, I can get a drink at the water barrel in Town Center.



For Help

- If I need help or have a question, I can ask my guardian, my teacher, my tour guide, or a costumed interpreter at the Town Center, and they will be happy to help me.

