

Group Lunches in the Dino Den



The Saint Louis Science Center now offers a dedicated indoor lunch space for groups. The Dino Den, located on the Lower Level of the Oakland Building, is available for groups to use for both catered lunches from the Science Center and sack lunches brought from outside. If your group is interested in eating at the museum, please note the following:

- **Reserved space inside the Dino Den is available upon request as a free add-on for groups doing a paid activity or catered lunches through the museum.** Walk-in groups and those doing a self-guided tour may use the Dino Den if available, but space is limited and **cannot** be reserved prior to arrival; group leaders for free self-guided tours should ask about availability at the box office when checking in.
- **Lunch space in the Dino Den is subject to availability and may not be available for all groups.** (Note also that sack lunch accommodations at the Energy Stage science demonstration area on the Lower Level are no longer allowed.) If Dino Den is unavailable, groups must eat outside the museum at the picnic tables near the Oakland Building or Planetarium entrances, in Forest Park or on their bus/shuttle.
- **Sack lunches are considered “brown bag” lunches.** Outside items like pizza, fast food, and food delivery orders are not allowed inside. Birthday and party items like cake, cupcakes, and party food are not allowed unless your group has purchased a Birthday Party Package from the Science Center.
- **The Dino Den is not a private eating space.** Groups will most likely be sharing the room with others and should sit together to allow other groups enough space. Personal items and valuables should not be left in the room.
- **The Dino Den is available from 10:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. (Monday–Saturday) and 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. (Sunday).** Timeslots are 25 minutes long and cannot be extended.
- **Group leaders and chaperones are responsible for ensuring that group members arrive promptly for and finish eating within their scheduled timeslot.** The Dino Den is monitored by Science Center staff, but group leaders and chaperones must ensure that their group adheres to their scheduled eating time so that any following groups are able to eat as scheduled.
- **At check-in, groups may request a plastic lunch bin to store sack lunches prior to their scheduled eating time.** Groups are responsible for their own trash and cleanup. If the designated trash containers are full, please let a staff member know immediately. **Plastic lunch bins are not to be used for trash.**

If your group is scheduled to use the Dino Den, submit a signed copy of this form at the box office upon check-in. By signing, you acknowledge and agree to adhere to the Science Center’s Dino Den policies.

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Date

Signature
