We appreciate your cooperation with our picnic guidelines and look forward to your visit.

You have been assigned a picnic time depending on your arrival time at the Getty Center. If you plan to use our picnic facilities located on the Lower Tram Level (T1), please adhere to this schedule.

Unsheltered picnic tables and food storage coolers are available for your convenience on the Lower Tram Level (T1).

Students should bring their lunches in small, flexible bags. Larger bags, backpacks, and other containers that do not fit in the coolers should be stowed on the bus or in cars. Lunches in larger containers such as Styrofoam coolers may need to be repacked into smaller bags in the parking garage, causing delays for your group’s visit.

We do not have covered areas for school groups on rainy days. Schools who choose to eat on site will be asked to eat on the bus. Otherwise, please have an alternate lunch plan, such as having the students eat before leaving school, or upon returning to school after their visit.

Additional lunch options include:

Box lunches—Teachers can preorder box lunches for students. Please contact Bon Appétit’s catering department at (310) 440-6213 or bonappetit@getty.edu for current prices and menus.

Cafe—School groups may purchase their lunches in the Cafe, which opens daily at 11:30 a.m. We ask that teachers and chaperones stagger the arrival of their groups to avoid overcrowding in the Cafe. In addition, students must stay in their chaperone-led groups during their entire visit, including while eating lunch in the Cafe.

Coffee Carts—If you need to purchase food before the Café opens at 11:30 a.m., there are two coffee carts located at the Getty Center, one in the Museum Courtyard and the other to the right of the main museum entrance. Open Tuesday through Sunday, these carts offer beverages, pastries, and other snack items.