AUDIO WALKING TOUR

Welcome to The Legends at Village West shopping center in Kansas City, Kansas where shopping and dining is blended with something truly unique: education.

The Legends pays tribute to the legends of Kansas in athletics, music, exploration, science, technology, politics, art and much more, recognizing the things that truly make our state unique. One-of-a-kind portrayals are represented visually on medallions, posters, murals and in sculpture.

Whether it's a class project, field trip, group tour or just curiosity about the state, discover what makes Kansas so special in a self-guided audio tour conducted at your own pace.

The complete tour includes 100 minutes of educational and entertaining information with 28 individual stops along the way. For those that prefer an abbreviated tour, there is a second option with 12 stops for 40-minutes. The easy-to-use audio player allows listeners to pause and move forward or move backward to any numbered stop, providing a completely customized experience. Visitors can stop the recording for discussion, linger over a favorite sculpture or simply enjoy a cup of coffee while touring.

The Legends is proud to provide this service free of charge to the public. Group Leaders are required to sign a waiver covering any damages or lost equipment and to submit a valid driver's license that will be returned when equipment is checked in. Headsets can be reserved for a maximum of three hours. Currently, there are 30 headsets available for use at one time and reservations are accepted by calling 913-788-3700.

Group leaders or individuals can obtain headsets during Customer Service office hours, which is found near the parking garage and the designated bus drop-off location. The tour includes an index and map of all legends along with the headset and player. A fun scavenger hunt game is also available to test your knowledge during or after your tour and comes in an easy and an advanced version.

If your group is larger than 30 or you simply want to learn more on your own, feel free to stop at the Customer Service office and pick up a map and index of the legends without taking the audio tour. There is still plenty to learn and to see with the many medallions found throughout the property describing the legends and their contribution. Then be sure to visit our web site at www.LegendsShopping.com for biographies, quizzes, coloring pages, crossword puzzles and much more. There is even an entire lesson plan so students can get the most out of their field trip to The Legends!

The "edutainment" theme is an important part of The Legends where fun facts appeal to everyone from children learning about their state's heritage to historical buffs seeking a challenge. Whether you're local or visiting, The Legends offers an exclusive experience that we're sure you'll treasure. So pop on your walking shoes (or find some new ones while you're here), plug in your headset and look all around, for something spectacular is around every corner. Hopefully we can share some new knowledge with you as we make learning fun!

AUDIO WALKING TOUR DETAILS

Cost: Free

Check In/Check Out: Group leaders or parents/guardians are required to sign a waiver accepting financial responsibility of any lost or damaged equipment. In addition, a valid driver's license is required to be held at Customer Service during the time the equipment is checked out.

Age Requirements: Participants must be 18 years of age or over unless accompanies by a parent or guardian.

Time Limit: 3 hours maximum (Headsets cannot be checked out 3 hours prior to the office closing. See below hours.)

Location of Check-Out and Return: Customer Service Office
The Legend is located in Kansas City Kansas. Exit Parallel Parkway West off I-435 (just north of I-70 intersection). The Customer Service office is located near the parking garage entrance under Dave & Busters (next to Saddle Ranch Chop House).

Customer Service Hours: Monday-Friday 8:30am-7pm; Saturday 10am-6pm and Sunday 11am-6pm. Headsets cannot be checked out 3 hours prior to the office closing (maps are still available, however).

Audio Tour Length: 100 minutes/28 stops or 40 minutes/12 stops. However, tour can be customized to any length and number of stops.

Advanced Reservations: Accepted by calling Customer Service at 913-788-3700

Tour Kits: A complete walking tour kit includes a map, index, player and headset. Visitors are also welcome to obtain the map and index and tour on their own without the headsets.

Additional Education: Educational leaders are encouraged to browse our Web site at www.LegendsShopping.com to incorporate additional lessons and class projects before, during and after their visit to The Legends.
Kansas Legends – one-page biography of each legend
Legends for Kids – kid-friendly summary of legends
Submit Your Legend – public can cast their vote for future legends
Photo Tour – Photos of surrounding legends
Legends Scavenger Hunt – hard and easy version
Legends Word Search – hard and easy version
Kansas Quiz – hard and easy version
Kansas Coloring Pages
Student Lessons – Kansas Symbols, Match the Sunflower, Make a Parfleche, Make a Kansas Flag, Junior Detective Series: One the Trail of Some Famous Kansans and The Kansas State Capitol: Guide for Young People Curriculum Packet

Large Group/Visitor Benefits (For Groups of 20+):
Free Bus Parking
Free Lunch for Group Leader (Receive one free $5 gift card to any Legends restaurant with tour reservation)
Free "I'm a Legend in my own mind." Button for all group members
Free Legends Coupon Book (Available 04/07. Coupons valid for Monday-Thursday only)