

A wide-angle photograph of the Chicago skyline at night, viewed from across a body of water. The city lights are reflected on the water's surface. The sky is dark blue with some light clouds.

STEM Networking & Learning: Tech App in Chi-town

Tues, Nov. 18 - Wed, Nov. 19
4:45 am - 10 pm

Tuesday, November 18, 2025

1. Van &/or Minibus to Springfield for drop off - leave Pana at **4:45 am**
2. Train from Springfield to Joliet **6:11 am - 8:24 am**
3. Bus pickup from Joliet train station to [Lockport Township High School-East Campus](#) (4000 student population/two campuses)
4. Collaboration with Kate Fahey & Tech Staff on Xerox IT Solutions Chrome Repair Programs
 - a. Hands On Practicum
 - b. Collaboration on programs best practices
5. Lunch @ HS or nearby
6. Bus return to Metra station
7. Metra bus (Rock Island line: Joliet - LaSalle St) **1:30 pm - 2:40 pm**
8. LaSalle Metra station to Found/St Clair Hotel to drop off bags/check in
9. Architecture Examples (Skinner - Walking Tour)
10. Coffee Break **4 - 4:30 pm** - Starbucks - largest roastery in WORLD - \$10 a person
11. Water Tower Place (Lego Store/7 stories) **5:00 - 7:00 pm**
12. Dinner **7:30 - 9:00 pm** - *Quartino Italian*
13. Bridges/Waterfront/Cloud Gate at Night (Weather permitting)

Wednesday, November 19, 2025

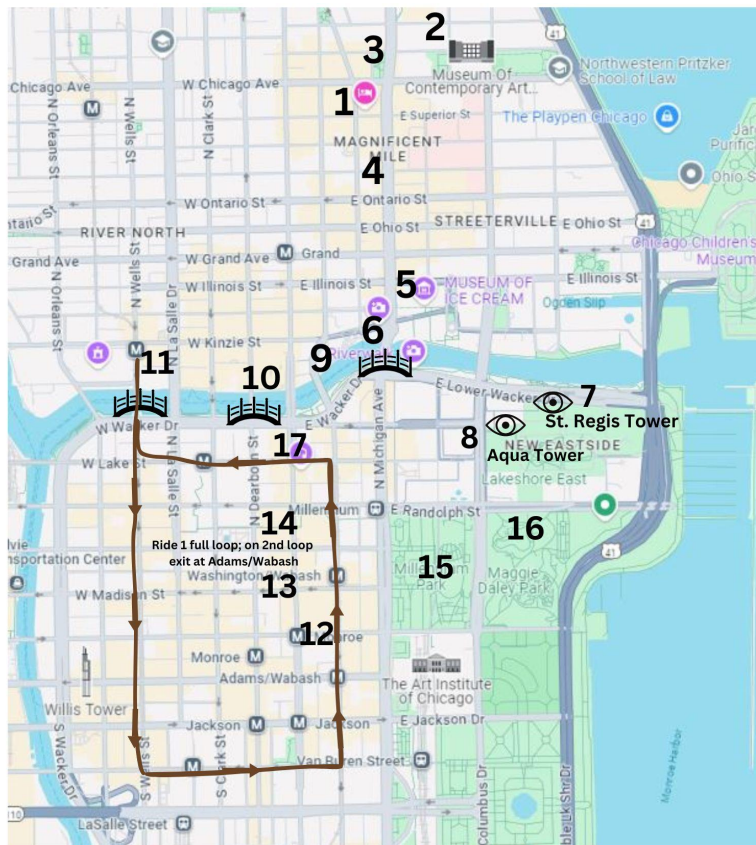
1. Morning Breakfast (Einstein; Corner Bakery; Stans Donuts) **8:30 am - 9:30 am**
2. Luggage Drop off at Hotel Front Desk
3. Venteux Coffee Shop
4. Brown Line Metro - Architectural Styles of H. Washington Library
5. Red Line Metro to S Hyde Park & 56th Street **40 minutes**
6. **Museum of Science and Industry** (open 9:30 am - 4 pm) **11 am - 4 pm**
7. Metro back to hotel/Union Station **40 minutes**
8. Train back to Sfield **5:20 pm - 8:25 pm**

Chaperones:

Amanda Skinner, PHS

Kevin Reedy, PHS

Eric Rivera, Xerox IT Solutions



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| 1 Giordano's Pizza | 9 Trump Tower | 14 Marshall Field & Co. |
| 2 Water Tower Place | 10 Marina City | "Macy's" Storefront |
| 3 Chicago Water Tower | 11 Merchandise Mart | 15 Cloud Gate "the Bean" |
| 4 Starbucks Roastery | Metro - Brown line | 16 Maggie Daley |
| 5 Tribune Tower | 12 Palmer House | Ice Skating Ribbon |
| 6 Wrigley Building | 13 "Gothic Target" | 17 Chicago Theatre Sign |

Tuesday's Walking Tour Adventure

Numbers in Chronological order to visit
Black - Entry to place **Green** - outside only

Wednesday's Visit - Griffin MSI

Agenda - Museum Visit

[Museum of Science and Industry](#)

Hours: 9:30 am - 4 pm

Tickets for 11 AM entrance



[Key Exhibits HERE](#)
[All Exhibits HERE](#)

Why Chicago?

Life Skills - Navigating Multiple Modes of Transportation

- Amtrak, Metro, Metra, Bus
- Bridges - Dearborn, DuSable, Wells (bascule bridges and their history)

Architecture

- Trump Tower, St. Regis Tower, Marina City Complex
- Wrigley Building
- Aqua Tower - 3rd tallest building in Chitown - Female architect
- Starbucks (Chitown's ONLY spiral escalator-only a few hundred in world AND largest roastery in the world)
- Tribune Tower (Embedded on outside are artifacts from all over the world)
- Iconic Chicago: Cloud Gate (Known as the Bean) and Chicago Theatre Sign (State St)

History

- Water Tower - one of handful of buildings that didn't burn in Chicago Fire of 1871
- Macy's storefront displays - First to ever host an in-person Santa & have intricate window displays over the holidays
- Palmer House - \$1 million Tiffany doors (signature of the hotel) and world's first brownie created here in 1893
- Griffin Museum of Science & Industry

Essentials:

- ID
- Spending Money
- Personal Belongings:
 - Backpack or overnight bag
 - Cell phone (charged)
 - If you have an iPhone, you will be required to share your location for the day with Ms. Skinner (if Android user, an Airtag will be provided for the day)
 - Portable charger (optional)
 - Headphones or earbuds

Weather-Appropriate Clothing:

- Warm coat or jacket
- Hat/Gloves/Scarf/Hand Warmers, etc.
- Comfortable, warm shoes or boots

Additional Items:

- Water Bottle
- Snacks
- Medication: If needed, this will be given to Ms. Skinner on Tuesday, November 18.
- [Field Trip permission Form signed and returned \(hard copy or photo text to Ms. Skinner\)](#)