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Gus and I just received a "Heads Up" email from Deb Nutting at the Museum reference the School Field Trips planned for late summer/early fall. Wanted to pass the information along to you as well as some other items. All in all, our "Dance Card" will be pretty busy. I am attaching a calendar showing most everything going on that we would likely be involved in.

First (not shown on calendar) is the Annual Armed Forces Cross Band Test which will take place 11 May. We hope to participate if we can. This is an HF exercise and you can find more information in the link below.

[DoD MARS - Armed Forces Day](#)

Memorial Day, 27 May 2024: The Museum will be open on that day and we have been asked to operate our station from 1200 - 1600 EDT.

International Museum Weekends, 15 June and 22 June. We would like to participate in this event as well. This is an HF exercise. So far, 17 museums/clubs have signed up to participate. You can find more information in the link below.

[Home \(radio-amateur-events.org\)](http://Home.radio-amateur-events.org)

Summer Field Day, 29-30 June: With everything else going on, I think it would be hard to actively support this as a competing station. Nothing stopping you from participating otherwise.

Summer STEM Camp, 10-14 June: At this time, I have not received any formal request to support the STEM camp. I will check on that to see if they want/need us and have forgotten to ask, or if our support is not required. More to come.

History Camps, 17 June - 19 July: We have been previously contacted and asked if we could support these camps. No update on specifics (how much time, how many kids, etc). Will check and see if schedule has been flushed out any to give us better planning info. One of the things that we have to keep in mind in our planning is a number of kids have been to previous summer and Saturday camps, and a number will attend all four weeks, so a variety of activities will be needed.

Charlotte County Schools Field Trips: These will start on 30 July and end 31 October, generally three groups per week. Info that Deb passed on to us:

- Plan is for group to spend three hours total at the museum, 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM.
- Planning on 48 kids each day, broken down into 6 groups of 8 kids each. This would mean 6 sessions @ 30 minutes maximum each day.

- Previously they mentioned 8th graders, In Deb's email she talked 5th graders. I will confirm as this can have a bearing on appropriate activities (think "Attention Span")

With such a large commitment of time to support all the field trips, the limited number of team members, the limited amount of time we will have them, Deb commented that providing a "live radio/teaching experience" for each student/group may not be supportable. We do have time between now and then to consider different activities we can do, using HF, DMR, VHF, CW, etc.

Again, we have time to plan and prepare, but sometimes time goes very quickly. For right now, please let me know dates that you would not be available to support. This will be the most helpful right now in the planning process.

Thanks

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