

GRADES  
JK-8

## CURRICULUM CONNECTIONS:

### OVERALL EXPECTATIONS FOR SOCIAL STUDIES: HERITAGE & CITIZENSHIP

**GRADE 1:** Our Changing Roles and Responsibilities

**GRADE 2:** Changing Family & Community Traditions

**GRADE 3:** Communities in Canada

### OVERALL EXPECTATIONS FOR SOCIAL STUDIES: HERITAGE & IDENTITY

**GRADE 4:** Early Societies, 3000 BCE - 1500 CE

**GRADE 6:** Communities in Canada, Past & Present

### OVERALL EXPECTATIONS FOR HISTORY

**GRADE 8:** Canada, 1890-1914, A Changing Society

### OVERALL EXPECTATIONS FOR THE ARTS

**GRADES 1 - 8:** Exploring Forms and  
Cultural Contexts

### GRADES JK-SK

The Arts: Drama, Dance and Music

Language: Oral Communication



## ADMISSION:

Please contact us at [info@casaloma.ca](mailto:info@casaloma.ca)  
for student rates

### TOUR ADMISSION INCLUDES:

- ✓ Historic rooms, artifacts and Queen's Own Rifles military exhibit
- ✓ Secret passages
- ✓ Towers & castle structure, including official architectural models of prominent city buildings
- ✓ Stables including antique car exhibit
- ✓ The tunnel experience: 800ft. underground tunnel with City of Toronto Archives photo exhibit depicting "Toronto The Dark Side"
- ✓ Theatre experience: 20 Minute historic documentary "Pellatt newsreel: the story of A lifetime" Located in the original swimming pool area
- ✓ 5-acre garden & forest trail
- ✓ Individual audio guide, available in 8 languages: English, French, Spanish, Italian, German, Korean, Mandarin, Japanese, ASL
- ✓ Casa Loma Teacher's Guide available upon request

Students may bring bag lunches and eat on-site or lunch is available for purchase in our café.

**HOURS OF OPERATION:** open daily 9:30 A.M. – 5:00 P.M. (Early closure December 24<sup>th</sup> 1:00 P.M. & closed December 25<sup>th</sup>)

### FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT:

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ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
FIELD TRIPS

## WELCOME TO CASA LOMA WHERE *learning* COMES TO LIFE!

Casa Loma is one of Toronto's premier historic attractions! Originally home to Canadian financier, industrialist and military officer, Sir Henry Pellatt, the castle offers students a unique and interesting way to experience and learn about the early 20<sup>th</sup> century.



### STUDENTS CAN...

- ✓ Explore secret passages
- ✓ Experience original early 20<sup>th</sup> century living quarters
- ✓ Climb soaring towers to view historical architecture and the city from atop
- ✓ Traverse the 800ft. underground tunnel photo exhibit acquiring insight to the hardships of the city in the early 20<sup>th</sup> century
- ✓ View original stables and antique cars
- ✓ Participate in the horticultural aspects of the castle through its potting shed and surrounding grounds
- ✓ Discover the life of Sir Henry Pellatt and his family through a documentary presentation

## SELF GUIDED VISIT

**GRADES JK-8+:** Begin your self guided visit in our theatre and view “The Pellatt Newsreel: The Man Who Built Casa Loma”, a docudrama styled as a 1939 newsreel tracing the arc of Sir Henry Pellatt’s life. Pick up your maps and audio guides (recommended for all ages) and enjoy your self guided exploration of Casa Loma.

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## GUIDED GROUP TOURS:

### GENERAL HISTORY TOUR

**GRADES JK-8:** This historical tour highlights the lifestyle of Sir Henry Pellatt, a pivotal figure in the economic development of Canada at the turn of the twentieth century. His home, Casa Loma, stands as one of the finest Edwardian buildings in the country. Depending on your needs, we can put an added focus on the architecture or the life of the servants at Casa Loma.

### LADY PELLATT’S LOST JEWELS TOUR

**GRADES JK-2:** Help find the lost jewels of Lady Pellatt, mistress of Casa Loma. A guide will tour your class through the secret passages, halls and rooms in search of the misplaced items. A fun way to see Casa Loma!

### HOLLYWOOD TOUR

**GRADES 5-8:** This exciting tour highlights castle locations used in over 20 major motion pictures and reveals behind the scenes glimpses of how the magic of the movies is brought to life. From the Oscar winning film Chicago to the graphic novel Scott Pilgrim, Toronto’s famous castle has played host to Hollywood’s best.

## TRADITIONS AND CELEBRATIONS TOUR

**GRADES 1-3:** In the early 1900’s the Pellatt family had many family traditions at Casa Loma. Your challenge is to go on a guided tour throughout Casa Loma to find the items that would have been used for those traditions. We will then compare what they did 100 years ago – to how things are different or similar today, with those same traditions.

### A WALK IN THEIR SHOES

**GRADES 5-6:** On this tour, students will explore the story of Toronto, Casa Loma and the Pellatt Family during the period of the 1880’s to the 1920’s. Students will use “The Mantle of the Expert,” a dramatic inquiry based approach to examine different historical perspectives. Students will choose from a selection of proposed scenarios, take on various roles, and “walk in the shoes” of the past.



**JOURNEY INTO THE PAST!**  
OUR GUIDES WILL CONNECT  
STUDENTS TO THE CONCEPTS  
OF *historical* THINKING  
THROUGH LIVE INTERACTIVE  
EXPERIENCE.

## MEDIEVAL STUDIES TOUR

**GRADE 4:** This guided tour highlights elements of Medieval lifestyle. Join us as we explore Casa Loma’s Medieval inspired architecture from the Great Hall to the soaring battlements. Our medieval weapons specialist will discuss and demonstrate the uses of a variety of swords and other historic weapons from the Medieval time period.



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### CASA LOMA’S HOLIDAY PROGRAM

This December join us to celebrate and take part in the holiday magic at Casa Loma. We are excited to present this year’s winter theme of “When You Wish Upon a Star”. It will be a spectacle of wonder and sure to amaze students of all ages! As always, guests are invited to visit with Santa. Call for more information.

Performances dates\* for schools are:  
Dec. 5,6,7,12,13,14,19, 20, 21  
Times are 10:30am, 11:30am or 12:30pm  
Running time is approximately 30 minutes.  
\*Dates and times are subject to change.

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