

"Train up a child in the way he should go..." - Proverbs 22:6



Washlines

**A Newsletter for Willmar Area
Scholars at Home Inc.**

Wash directory

**September 2026
Issue**

**Welcome to a new school year with
WASH. We are excited to get the
year started with our bus trip and all
of the other activities we have
planned for the year.**

**We would like to make a WASH
directory with
everyone's picture.**

**Please email your photo
to info@washlines.org by September
20th, to be included in the directory!**

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WASH is excited to announce our 2026 Bus Trip!

We are excited to have the WASH bus trip on Friday, September 18. WASH is headed to Mill City Museum, James J Hill House and Slick City.

The Mill City Museum is in the stone ruins of the Washburn "A" Mill, the historic flour milling capital of the world. We will have the Core Experience Tour which blends industrial heritage with engaging, hands-on exhibits about the areas river powered economy at Mill City Museum. At noon we will have bag lunches that you have brought along, be able to check out the gift shop at Mill City and take a walk outside over to the Historic Stone Arch Bridge to walk across it and walk back.

We will then head to the James J Hill House, the Gilded Age mansion of "The Empire Builder". This is the largest home in St. Paul and we will explore upstairs and downstairs of this historic house with 13 bathrooms, 22 fireplaces and 16 chandeliers.

Our last destination will be Slick City in Maple Grove. Slick City is an indoor, water-less slide and action park. There is 14 massive dry slides that land on bounce-house-style mats, high speed launch slides, a zip line, trapeze swing, air sports courts, and for the little kids a multi level play zone. Kids and parents are all welcome to participate in the whole facility or parents are welcome to sit and watch. We have reserved 90 minutes for the whole facility. Everyone participating will be given Slick City socks to wear. Everyone will need to fill out a Slick City waiver form.

To sign up, please, fill out the registration form and mail \$30 per ticket to 17842 Hwy 71 NE, New London, MN 56273. Registrations due by Thursday, September 3. The coach bus will arrive at the parking lot "behind" Aldi grocery store in Willmar at 7:30AM, we will then begin loading the bus, and the bus leaves promptly at 7:45AM. Plan to bring a bag lunch and three snacks as we will have a snack before entering Mill City, and another snack before entering Slick City and then a snack before heading back to arrive at Willmar 7:30PM. Plan for a very late evening dinner with your family, as we will not be stopping for dinner. We look forward to seeing you all on the bus!



REGISTRATION

2026 WASH Bus Trip Registration

Friday September 18

Mill City Museum – James Hill House – Slick City

7:30 AM—Aldis back parking lot

7:45 AM Bus leaves

9:45 AM Arrive Mill City Museum and have snack outside bus

10:00 AM Begin Mill City Museum tour

12:00 PM Bag lunch, shop in gift shop, take a walk across the Stone Arch Bridge

1:00 PM Bus leaves

1:15 PM Arrive James Hill House and stretch and snack break if need

1:30 PM Tour James Hill House

2:45 PM Bus leaves

3:15 PM Arrive Slick City and have snack outside bus

3:30 PM Begin Slick City activities

5:00 PM End Slick City and have snack outside bus

5:15 PM Bus leaves

7:30 PM - Aldis back parking lot

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Diane Walter , 17842 Hwy 71 NE, New London, MN 56273

REGISTRATION DUE Thursday, September 3

Kids Names Grade

Adults Names

Number of participants _____ X \$30.00 = _____

Mail to Diane Walter , 17842 Hwy 71 NE, New London, MN 56273

NEWSLETTER SUBMISSION POLICY

WASH exists to be a support to home educating families in the Willmar area and one way we do that is through our monthly newsletter. The policy that we have adopted as what is published in the newsletter is:

The WASH Board of Directors reserves the right to publish or not publish any information they deem best. When an article is considered for publication, the board will take into consideration the WASH calendar, WASH's liability for any event, and the article's benefit to the home-schooling community. If you would like to have an article published, please e-mail your articles to info@washlines.org. The board will look over your article, publish it if appropriate, call you with further questions, or let you know that the article can not be published and the reason why. If you have any questions on this policy, please contact a member of the board.

W.A.S.H. Board Members

Feel free to contact a member of the WASH board with any questions, comments or ideas! You can also send an e-mail to info@washlines.org

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Thanks for everyone who helped with the Brat Stand Fundraiser! It was a great success. By having these fundraisers it helps us to keep the cost low for our members.

We will be having fundraiser opportunities this year including helping at Bargains and Blessings. We hope you will all be able to help.

Dates To Remember

RSVP Deadline for Bus Trip - Thursday, Sept 3rd

Bus trip- Monday, September 18th

Family photos for Directory - September 20th

