

# Fort Ancient

## **When Worlds Collide Program** (Grades 7 & 8)

**Description:** Explore the cultural practices and artifacts of the earliest American Indians in Ohio and follow the changes from an hunting and gathering society to an agriculturist society to when two cultures collided during the historic period. The tour includes an introduction to the different time periods, hands on activities (doubleball and spear throwing) and a scavenger hunt in the museum. Also we will explore the site of Fort Ancient, a two thousand-year-old Hopewell site.

**Location:** Fort Ancient State Memorial, Oregonia (Warren), Ohio

**Availability:** Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday  
September thru May, by appointment  
Limit: 1 to 6 classes

**Time Allowance:** 2 hours on site

**Cost:** Add \$1.00 program fee to \$3.00 admission per student

**Social Studies Standards Addressed** (by Alignment of Benchmarks and Grade-Level Indicators):

Grade 7: History – D7b; People in Societies – C3

Grade 8: History – D2c, E4d; People in Societies – B3

### **DIRECTIONS:**

From I-71 take exit 36 (Wilmington Road). Turn right onto Middleboro Road and then make a right on 350. Fort Ancient is located 1/4 mile on the left.

From I-75 take the Monroe Route 63 exit. Turn towards Lebanon. Route 63 turns into Route 123. Take Route 123 thru Lebanon to I-71. Go north on 71 and take exit 36(Wilmington Road). Turn right onto Middleboro Road and then make a right on 350. Fort Ancient is located 1/4 mile on the left.

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## When Worlds Collide Vocabulary

**Adaptation** - Change to suit the environment

**Artifact** - Any object made or used by humans

**Astronomical Alignment** - This pertains to Fort Ancient State Memorial and the straight line between an opening in the earthen walls and a mound during the Summer Solstice.

**Culture** - The way the members of a group of people think, believe, and live, the tools they make and the way they do things.

**Environment** - All of ones surroundings

**Exports** - Carrying goods to another place

**Hilltop Enclosure** - Walls built of earth by people along the summit of high hills

**Historic** - Written record from a past time or culture

**Imports** - Bringing goods from another place

**Prehistoric** - Existing in time before written history

**Technology** - A method for handling a specific problem

**Treaty** - Any agreement between nations relating to peace or land.

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Parents and Volunteers,

If your school is bringing four or more classes we ask that you bring parents who can be Fort Ancient helpers. These parents should not be responsible for a group of children in a class but can help all the children who visit. So please do not assign these parents any children in your class.

The parents will be helping in two ways. First they will be helping in the museum. They will be shown where the answers are to the scavenger hunt so they can help the students. Secondly, they will be involved in monitoring the hands on activities.

This set up has gone very well in the past and we hope to have another successful year with all the wonderful help that the parents have provided. It is helpful if six parents can drive and arrive 30 minutes before the students get to Fort Ancient. This helps us show them what to do. When arriving at Fort Ancient staff will be watching the closed gate to let the parents into the site.

If you have any questions please contact me at Fort Ancient.

Sincerely,

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