Butler University

GROUP VISIT GUIDE

4th–5th Grade
Welcome!

We are so glad you have decided to visit Butler University's campus. In order to enrich your time, we have provided several activities to use before, during, and after your visit. Additionally, you’ll find recommendations on where to eat lunch and where to park. At the end of this guide we’ve included a number of additional resources.

We hope you have a wonderful time exploring our campus with your class. We encourage you to take pictures and tag **butleru** when you post them on Instagram or Facebook.

Go Dawgs!

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**Format and Objectives:**
- 90 minutes
- Self-paced, independent, content differentiated by grade level
- Build an early affinity for Butler University
- Improve comfort levels for being on a college campus in general
- Create an understanding of how a college campus works (pre/post visit activities)
- Understand the importance of a college education (pre/post visit activities)
- Cultivate a connection between a college education and career pathways (pre/post visit activities)

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Parking Instructions:

There are two great places to drop off and pick up your students. We have structured your tour to start at our recommended drop of location, in front of Holcomb Observatory. You’ll end at the Atherton Bulldog on Hampton Dr as our recommended location to pick up at the end of your visit.

If you are going to enjoy lunch on campus after your tour, we recommend using Holcomb Observatory as your drop off and pick up location.

Buses are welcome to park in the Hinkle Fieldhouse Parking Lot (#24) for the duration of your visit.

Brown Bag Lunch Recommendations:

We encourage you to extend your visit and pack a picnic lunch. We recommend enjoying your lunch on the Robertson Hall Lawn (#48 on the campus map) or in front of the Holcomb Observatory (#28). Holcomb Garden is not accessible by sidewalk, but also provides a wonderful space to enjoy lunch.
Pre - Visit Activity

Directions: Using the scrambled words, fill in the blanks while reading the following story.

___________ University is in the city of ________________, Indiana. Their mascot is named ________________ the 4th and he is a ________________. All of the sports teams are called the Bulldogs. Basketball and volleyball play in Historic ________________ ________________, which is a famous building. When students aren’t going to games or hanging out with their friends they’re usually doing ________________ in the ________________. Depending on their ________________ they might have to ________________ more than their friend. Going to ________________ is so much fun and students are so excited when they ________________ but it takes a lot of hard work to get there!

1. trulbe 1. butler
2. sdilapoainni 2. indianapolis
3. eulb 3. blue
4. dloedbgu 4. bulldog
5. enihkli ediheslauf 5. hinkle fieldhouse
6. omerkwoh 6. homework
7. yralbir 7. library
8. yduts 8. study
9. egelloc 9. college
10. etaudarg 10. graduate

Answer Key:

Butler University is in the city of Indianapolis, Indiana. Their mascot is named Blue the 4th and he is a bulldog. All of the sports teams are called the Bulldogs. Basketball and volleyball play in Historic Hinkle Fieldhouse which is a famous building. When students aren’t going to games or hanging out with their friends they’re usually doing homework in the library. Depending on their major they might have to study more than their friends. Going to college is so much fun and students are so excited when they graduate but it takes a lot of hard work to get there!
**Scavenger Hunt Grades 4 -5**

**Directions:** Use your map and the clues to find the answer to each scavenger hunt item.

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<td>This place is where you can see the moon and stars so bright and free. It’s a place to learn about the sky, and watch the planets pass you by.</td>
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<td>At the top of the hour you’ll hear it go ring, walking up the steps is tiring</td>
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<td>Find the place to stay active and well, where fitness and fun dwell.</td>
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<td>Where athletes dribble, pass, and shoot, A basketball court where dreams take root.</td>
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<td>Follow the path where gamers unite, where virtual battles ignite</td>
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<td>A place to watch dancers leap in the air you’ll enjoy a show from your chair.</td>
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<td>A place where knowledge is strong and minds ignite, learning happens in classrooms, the place is bright.</td>
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<td>This place has books to borrow, you can read and study for your test tomorrow</td>
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<td>Search for a star-shaped cheer, where water dances, crystal-clear</td>
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<td>Where can you find something to drink, something to eat, something to wear and something to read!</td>
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<td>Discover a place where differences unite, seek the colorful place where all can shine bright</td>
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<td>With shared rooms and a common floor, This living space is called a &quot;dorm&quot; and more</td>
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<td>The real one’s name is Blue, find this stone one and take a picture, too!</td>
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| Holcomb Observatory     | - The observatory is the largest in the state of Indiana  
- One of the best places in the state to view an eclipse  
- We have a planetarium that let you study the constellations  
- People can buy a star and name it                                                        |
| Bell Tower              | - How many steps does it take to get to the top? 52  
- It has 23 bells and goes off every hour  
- On Sunday there is a “show” at 5pm  
- Official name is Mrs. James Irving Holcomb Memorial Carillon                                           |
| Health and Recreation Center | - Many students partake in club and intramural sports  
- Jogging track, pool, 2 basketball courts, and lots of weights  
- A lot of students work here  
- You can see a doctor or counselor here. Students use this space to stay healthy                  |
| Hinkle Fieldhouse       | - Tony Hinkle, who the building is named after, helped create the orange basketball  
- 9,100 people can sit inside for a game, but almost 10,000 fit inside  
- Home to mens and womens basketball and volleyball, but we have 20 Division I teams  
- 95 years old  
- Hosted Circus, NCAA tournament, it was an army and navy barracks in WWII                          |
| Esports**               | - There are 50 gaming computers inside  
- Opened in 2022  
- We have a competitive esports team that competes against other colleges                           |
| Clowes Memorial Hall    | - How many seats do you think are in Clowes? 1200.  
- Katy Perry performed here for students one year  
- Built in 1963  
- Broadway shows like Lion King, actors, and presidents have all visited Clowes                    |
| Lacy School of Business | - Popular LSB majors are Exploratory Business, Marketing, and Finance. Does anyone have an interest in studying business in college?  
- There is a cafe, classrooms, and places for students to hang out  
- During their first year business students will run their own business  
- Our Career office is located here to help students find jobs                                         |
| Irwin Library           | - Irwin Library and the World Trade Center were designed by the same person  
- Opened in 1963  
- There are over 400,000 books inside and 17,000 musical scores                                               |
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<td>Star Fountain**</td>
<td>- One of the traditions for seniors is to visit all the fountains on campus during their last semester</td>
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| Atherton Marketplace         | - A hub of student involvement  
- Volunteer Center is inside  
- Where students go to eat their meals |
| Efroymson Diversity Center** | - Groups that are focused on diversity have spaces in here, but it is an open space for all students to come hang out and make new friends  
- Prayer/meditation space, kitchenette, and a lounge space  
- There are over 160 student organizations on campus and many of them work with the DC |
| Irvington House              | - A dorm where students live when they move to campus for the school year  
- Study places, fitness center, laundry, kitchen, lounges to hang out in are all in the dorm  
- How many beds do you think Irvington has? 647  
- Most of our students live on campus for 3 years |
| Greek House**                | - Butler has 7 fraternities and 8 sororities on campus.  
- Combine for 20,000 hours of volunteering  
- Great way to connect with former butler students and make new friends  
- It isn’t for everyone - about 35% join each year |
| Atherton Stone Bulldog       | - Butler was founded in 1855, and our founder, Ovid Butler, was ahead of his time in providing everyone, regardless of gender or race, an equal opportunity for exceptional education  
- Blue 4 is our current live mascot |

**Indicates not on the campus map.**

Esports is located under the parking garage.

Star Fountain is between Irwin Library and Starbucks.

Efroymson Diversity Center is located inside of Atherton Union

Greek House refers to #1 and #2

Atherton Stone Bulldog is located outside the south entrance of Atherton Union facing Hampton Dr.
Post Visit Activity

**Directions:** Visualize yourself as a college student. Write a paragraph about your day. What class did you go to? How long did you study? Are you involved in any clubs?

**Directions:** What did you enjoy about visiting Butler University? Write a paragraph about your day and anything you liked about the campus.
**Create a College Brochure:** Divide the students into small teams and task them with creating a college brochure. Provide them with materials like construction paper, magazines, scissors, and glue sticks. They can use their creativity to design a brochure that showcases the highlights of the college campus they visited. They can include pictures, interesting facts, and information about programs, clubs, and facilities.

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**Additional Resources**

- Butler Blue Activities
- Butler Arts Schedule
- Athletic schedules
- Read More about Butler Blue and the live mascot program.
- Virtual & Interactive Map