



# VISTA FORGE

## *Antique Gas & Steam Engine Museum*

### Paired Youth Blacksmithing Guidelines & Safety

•**All Museum rules on Safety and Harassment are in effect.** Those who cannot or will not behave safely (and kindly) may be asked to leave, for the day or forever. No warnings, no refunds!

#### **SAFETY**

- Clothing:** Legs and Toes covered at all times.  
**Natural fibers - NO synthetics or blends!**
  - Leather or natural fiber boots or shoes only.**
  - Proper Safety Glasses:** on whenever near fire, forging, filing, etc.
  - Ear Protection:** on when needed for loud hammering or machine use.
  - Leather or fire-resistant apron:** Optional to protect clothing and burns.
  - Nametags:** On and Visible. Chalk name on anvil, too
  - Burns:** Immediately cool the area in a Slack tub or running water.
- Learn and practice avoidance methods...



#### **CONDUCT**

- Communicate** with those around you. Move carefully.
- Visitors:** We are part of an active museum. Help keep visitors safe.
- Help Others to Behave Safely-** Point out problems nicely. When reminded or corrected, say only "thank you!"
- ASK** when unsure. Tell instructors about your learning needs.
- Ask to Borrow Tools-** get *personal* permission. **Return Promptly-** to the person/place you got it as soon as you are done with it. Don't pass it on!
- We are Volunteers:** Pick up your own litter and tools, help with at least one task each day. Ask how you can help. (Open, close, slack tubs, trash)
- Class Goals:** Learn safety and coal fires well. Try blacksmithing. Hit hot metal. Have safe fun!