

# Middle Tennessee State University

## MINERAL, GEM, AND FOSSIL MUSEUM

(Free Admission)

Specimens from all 50 states and over 50 countries

Dinosaur skulls, eggs, bones, and footprints

Woolly mammoth teeth from Rutherford County

Giant, beautiful crystals of calcite, fluorite, barite, and  
sphalerite from the Tennessee Elmwood Mine

Displays of native elements, oxides, sulfides,  
carbonates, sulfates, and silicates

Large specimens of amethyst, quartz, and calcite

“Hands-On” floor specimens

Black light room filled with fluorescent specimens

Displays of birthstones: polished, faceted and  
in the rough

Carved jade, onyx, fluorite, and soapstone figurines  
and jewelry made of semi-precious stones

Fish fossils, extinct shark and cave bear teeth,  
fossilized insects, turtles, and sea scorpions

Big plates of Moroccan fossils

Home of the Hammonds Fossil Collection

Wall posters about plate tectonics, volcanoes,  
earthquakes, caves, and groundwater pollution

Photo gallery of National Parks and Geologic Wonders

Educational “scavenger hunts” for children

Educational Exercises for Middle and High School groups

Open area with screen and projection equipment for  
presentations to school groups



Web site:

[www.mtsu.edu/~mineral](http://www.mtsu.edu/~mineral)

Reservations for groups upon request

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### Directions:

Middle Tennessee State University Mineral, Gem, and Fossil Museum is located in the inner courtyard of Ezell and Abernathy halls.

Take Rutherford Blvd. to Alumni Drive next to Greek Row. At the first stop sign, Abernathy and Ezell halls are directly ahead and to the right.

