Social Story:

GOING TO THE GOODMAN THEATRE

Welcome to the Goodman Theatre! We look forward to having you as our guest!
I am going to the Goodman Theatre to see a play.
GOING TO THE THEATRE

My family might drive, take a bus, or take a train to the theatre. If we drive to the theatre, my family might park in a parking garage. If we take a bus or train, I might see strangers but I should stay with my family at all times.
LOBBY

When I enter the building, I will be in the lobby. I will be greeted by a friendly person!
In the lobby is the Information Desk. This is where I will find noise-reducing headphones. If I have questions or get lost, this is where I should go.
GETTING TICKETS

My family and I will go to the box office to get our tickets to the play.
GIFT SHOP

The lobby has a gift shop with many items for sale.
If I want to get a drink from the water fountain, I can find it in the lobby, near the sign that says Owen Theatre
REFRESHMENTS

If I want a snack or a different drink, I can go to the snack bar to buy one.
BATHROOMS

There are bathrooms in the lobby next to the box office. I can use the bathroom at any time.
If my seats are upstairs, I can choose to take the elevator or the staircase to go to the upstairs lobby.
UPSTAIRS BATHROOM

I can go to the bathroom in the upstairs bathroom. If I need extra help, I can use the private bathroom that is labeled “Accessible”.

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CROWDS

The theatre and the lobby might be crowded and noisy. If I need a break, I can go to the Quiet Area.
QUIET AREAS

If I need a break, I can go to a Quiet Area. One area is upstairs in The Alice.
When it is time to go into the theatre, I will give my ticket to an usher and they will tell me where my seat is.
SEATS

I will go with my family to find my seat inside the theatre.
THE STAGE

The play will happen on the stage. Only people who work at the theatre are allowed on the stage. If I need to leave the theatre, I can go out the same way I entered but I should walk slowly.
LIGHTS AND SOUND

There may be different colored lights, and the lights might flash during the play. There might be music and sounds that could sometimes be loud.
There will be actors in the play. The actors will wear costumes and pretend to be characters in the story.
I might see a show with an intermission. That means half-way through the show there will be a 15 minute break from the play.
CLAPPING

At the end of the play, the actors will come onto the stage and bow. The people watching will start clapping. The clapping might be loud.
GOING HOME

After the play, I will leave the theatre with my family.