



# ELEMENTARY EDUCATION at Maybury Farm

*Are you looking for a fun, educational opportunity for your class or homeschool group?* The *Farm Tours* and *Farm Camp* at Maybury Farm are an opportunity for children and families to engage in memorable hands-on experiences that connect them to the animals and agriculture that are such an important part of our world. Our Farm Tours are designed to cultivate joy and wonder in every child and we integrate experiential learning activities that engage kids in observation, inquiry, and experimentation. Our tour and camp curricula are aligned with current NGSS and Common Core standards to complement what is already being taught in the school setting!

## Farm Tours

We have a variety of tours, please see the descriptions below to pick out the perfect tour for your group! To book tours please give us a call at **248-347-0200 press 2**. *Please note: tours can accommodate from 15-125 participants.* Tours available:

### On the Farm

This engaging tour is specially designed for our younger visitors. During the walking tour, our guests will learn about some of our farm animals by doing a picture scavenger hunt. They will also get a chance to participate in the "farm Olympics" to work on their motor skills as they do farm related activities. If desired, an educator led wagon ride may be added on for an extra cost. This tour includes the use of the playground and outdoor picnic tables.

COST: \$10 per person or \$13 per person with optional wagon ride (*groups of 75 or more must include a wagon ride to allow for proper group rotation*)

AVAILABLE DATES: mid April - October

GRADES: K -1st grade

TOUR LENGTH: 60 -100 minutes\*

GROUP SIZE: can accommodate from 15 - 75 participants

### Farm Animals & Us

This is our most popular tour. During this walking tour, our guests will be introduced to the working animals of Maybury Farm including horses, donkeys, pigs, sheep, goats, chickens, cows, alpacas and more! They will learn about each animal, including breeds and names, and the roles the different animals play on a working farm. Students will develop an understanding of our connection to the animals that provide our food and clothing resources. At the end of the tour, students will become honorary Maybury Farmers and rotate through hands-on STEM activities replicating many chores that our farmers do throughout the year (milking pretend goats, measuring out food, etc.). An educator led wagon ride may be added on for an extra cost. This tour includes use of the playground and outdoor picnic tables.

COST: \$10 per person or \$13 per person with optional wagon ride (*groups of 75 or more must include a wagon ride to allow for proper group rotation*)

AVAILABLE DATES: mid April - October

GRADES: 1st - 5th grade

TOUR LENGTH: 60 -100 minutes\*

GROUP SIZE: can accommodate from 15 -125 participants

### A Season to Bee

Honeybees may be small but they are mighty – mighty important to our food system! This tour starts with a wagon ride out to the Maybury Farm working hives. At the hives, we will learn about the various jobs of the bees in the hive, the importance of pollination to our food system, the threats that our honeybee populations face and what you can do to help! Back at the farm’s garden, you’ll get to see bees pollinating the food we eat, see inside a real beehive, and help create our pollinator hotel. The final portion of the tour is the Honeybee Relay, where the group will put all the knowledge they gathered to work and compete in a friendly relay where they become the honeybee! This tour includes a self-guided tour of the farm, and use of the playground and outdoor picnic tables.

COST: \$13 per person (*includes wagon ride*)

AVAILABLE DATES: June - September

GRADES: 3rd - 5th grade

TOUR LENGTH: 60 -100 minutes\*

GROUP SIZE: can accommodate from 15 -75 participants

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## Farm Tours continued

### Fall on the Farm

As the seasons change, so does life on the farm. Crops are harvested in our garden, the corn is transformed into a corn maze, and the farmers begin to prepare for winter. This farm tour includes a wagon ride out to our corn maze, walking the one acre mini maze, an educator led corn game where students learn about the importance of corn, and finally an educator led tour of the farm animals. At the end of the tour, students will become honorary Maybury Farmers and rotate through hands-on, age appropriate STEM activities replicating many chores that our farmers do throughout the year. This tour includes the use of the playground and outdoor picnic tables.

COST: \$13 per person *(includes wagon ride and mini-corn maze)*

AVAILABLE DATES: October

GRADES: K - 5th grade

TOUR LENGTH: 60 -100 minutes\*

GROUP SIZE: can accommodate from 15 -125 participants

### From Sap to Syrup

*You must dress for cold weather for this one!* This engaging tour begins with a wagon ride out to the Sugar Bush where you will walk into the woods and learn about the amazing way sugar maple trees produce sap, how to tap a tree, why sap flows, and how to collect it. The wagon will then take your group to the Sugar Shack where you will see how sap becomes delicious maple syrup, watching the process, in action, in our evaporator. You will also get to try a sample of the finished product! The tour ends with students rotating through STEM maple syrup related activities. This tour includes a self-guided tour of the farm and the animals.

COST: \$13 per person *(includes wagon ride and activities)*

AVAILABLE DATES: March *(availability subject to change based on weather)*

GRADES: K - 5th grade

TOUR LENGTH: 60 -100 minutes\*

GROUP SIZE: can accommodate from 15 -100 participants

#### ***\*Additional Information***

Length of tours are dependent on the size of the group and whether an optional wagon ride is included. In addition, visiting the barn and farm animals, and use of the playground and picnic area is included in all tours but please note the space is shared with the general public visiting the Farm. To allow time for a self-guided tour of the Farm and use of the playground and picnic area, we suggest a two-hour time frame for your Tour. We can always work with groups to customize tours based on group size *(tours can accommodate from 15-125 participants)* and time needs, so please contact us at **248-374-0200 press 2** to discuss.