



GUIDELINES FOR YOUR VISIT to Maybury Farm

Welcome to the Farm! We want your visit to be memorable and safe for you, our animals and the land. Safety is of the utmost importance on the Farm. We ask that you please read over these important guidelines before visiting - they will help you understand how to have the best experience and enjoy every minute of your visit at Maybury Farm!

- Everyone visiting the Farm should wear closed-toe shoes to avoid injury to feet or exposure to animal waste.
- Access to pens is restricted to ensure the health and wellbeing of guests and livestock. However, staff-led interaction with our animals is encouraged during numerous tours and programs offered at the farm.
- Sometimes machinery will be in use at the Farm during your visit. Listen to the instructions of the staff to safely view the farming activities.
- Please ensure children are properly supervised in the barn, around the animals and on the playground. Children may not explore the pens and padlocks without adult supervision.
- Hand washing stations are available in the barn and in the restrooms. Hands should be washed after touching animals or surfaces at the Farm. Remind young children not to put their hands in their mouths. Sanitizer is available in the barn but hand washing is also necessary to protect against potential disease or illness.
- All guests must remain seated on the wagon at all times. Children 2 and under must sit on adult's lap before the wagon ride will start. Noncompliance of safety rules will be at your own risk and may result in injury.

ABC's of Livestock Safety

- **A**nimals are not people. What may seem fun to a person (like chasing an animal, for example) can be scary for them. Remember, animals have unique needs and we need to act around them in ways that make them feel safe.
- **B**e calm. Yelling, shouting or screaming scares animals. Be calm, quiet and slow when you approach animals. In return, they will be calm as well, allowing you more opportunities to engage with them.
- **C**an't see like you do - animals don't have the same field of vision as people. They do not see well directly behind or straight in front of them. Be aware and only approach animals from the side. Pet animals on the side of their neck, top of the head or back. Avoid petting the mouth and rear end and never pull on an animal's tail.
- **D**on't feed the animals. Did you eat breakfast? So did our animals! So please - don't feed them or allow children to feed them grass, hay or other food. Hand feeding animals encourages biting. Animals may easily mistake fingers for food, which could result in serious injury. Foods outside of their regular diet can also cause them to become ill.
- **E**NJOY! Follow these simple guidelines and you (and our animals!) will have a safe and enjoyable visit.

Thanks for following these guidelines! Maybury Farm exists to provide experiences that cultivate joy and wonder in kids and families as they discover the amazing connections they have with animals and agriculture.

For the safety of the farm, animals, guests, and staff, there is no smoking allowed anywhere inside or outside the farm property. *Thank You.*