

2009 Educational Farm Field Trip Programs

The Farm Field Trip Where Learning is Fun

Dear Head Teacher/School Expeditions Organizer:

I am writing to invite you to bring your class to the “Rise of the Junk Monsters” Corn Maze at Scarecrow Hollow this fall for an educational and entertaining field trip. The day will combine the natural beauty of the countryside with a challenging program of problem-solving events and activities. Our programs are designed to increase children’s awareness of the natural world through observation and hands-on activities, with this year’s emphasis on the importance of recycling. We will be welcoming school parties Monday to Friday September 14 through October 30, 2009. No school tours on Holiday Mondays. We limit the number of school parties at any one time, so please book early to avoid disappointment.

Fall Harvest Time

Preschool through 2nd grade students will learn about the farm’s role in food production during the fall pumpkin season. A field trip to the Pumpkin Patch is packed with fun and learning. Activities include:

- . Hayride to the pumpkin patch where each child picks a pumpkin to take home. Teachers also pick a pumpkin for their classroom.
- . Students receive one pumpkin, one gourd, a Pumpkin Patch Certificate, and a coloring book.
- . Small hay bale maze and other mazes in the courtyard.

Maize Maze Adventure

3rd through 8th grade students will encounter various learning experiences while working together in small groups to solve Scarecrow Hollow’s world class “Rise of the Junk Monsters” maze. Activities include:

- . Orientation to the maze with emphasis on teamwork and facts about corn plants, including how it grows and uses in our diet.

- . Solving the maize maze. Allow at least 1.5 hours to solve the maze. This year's "Junk Monsters" theme has more clues than ever to assist solving the maze.
- . Courtyard activities as time allows.
- . Students receive one pumpkin and one gourd to take home.

Reservations Required, Call Today

For further information and to place reservations call Florence Wood at (856) 935-3469 Monday through Friday. We are located at 335 Quinton-Hancocks Bridge Road, Salem, NJ 08079, just 2 miles off State Route 49 between Salem and Quinton.

2009 Fees

\$6.00 per student. Our policy is one chaperone free per 5 students. Extra chaperones and siblings will be charged \$6.00 each (nonparticipating infants under 2 admitted free). \$50.00 minimum fee per group. A single payment for the entire group greatly speeds up the check-in process.

Concessions

Concessions are available weekdays for lunch. Snacks, beverages and hotdogs are available to individuals. If your group would like a lunch quote, please call us as we need a few days advance notice to prepare for group lunch orders.

We have plenty of bus parking spaces and picnic lunch areas for the students. We are in the countryside but within an easy bus ride of most schools. We can provide printed maps upon request.

When our Constitution was signed, 90% of the U.S. population lived on the farm. Today it is only 2%. After a visit to Scarecrow Hollow, your students will be better able to make the connection between the land and food production by experiencing a real working farm. Plan a visit with your class and make learning about the plant world and farming exciting for your students.

Very truly yours,

Florence Wood
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