



**2015 Spring/Summer Farm Tour Program**  
**EDUCATIONAL FIELD TRIP TO A REAL WORKING ILLINOIS CENTENNIAL FAMILY FARM**

Many children believe that milk comes from the dairy case and that vegetables are grown in the produce aisle. Part of our mission is to educate today's children as to where food really comes from and the importance of agriculture in everyday life. Therefore, we invite you and your children (**a minimum of 100 students is required**) to an educational and fun-filled tour of our family farm on **Wednesdays & Fridays** (other weekdays available upon request) starting April 30<sup>th</sup> thru June 20<sup>th</sup> featuring:

- Farmer Kaity's educational talk with the children about how to grow a plant from seed, "where their food comes from", and what life is like on this farm, which was established on this land by her family over 100 years ago!
- Students will plant a seed of corn in our fall "Spookley" maze area. When they come back for Pumpkin Fest in the fall they can see the maze that they helped plant!
- Ride the "John Deere Grain Train" through our different growing fields (weather permitting).
- Farm Animal Area - Everyone receives an ice cream cone filled with feed for the animals! Watch the goats walk on the roof!
- Each school will receive the book "Corn in the Story of Agriculture" describing the roll of corn in agriculture.
- Students will jump on Lexi's Jumpin' Jamboree!
- Students can get great exercise in **one** of our 3 play areas. Climb aboard the Pirate Ship in Fort Cottonwood. Enjoy the "kid sized" barns in our Barnyard Playland. Play on the 48 foot long train in Veggeland!
- All Aboard the *Ghost Town* Railroad!
- **FREE** use of our picnic tables (not under cover) for your groups' outdoor snack or lunch. Space is limited and **must be reserved** when you schedule your tour. We may have to determine when your group eats lunch.
- Attractions available at additional cost – Pan for Fossils and Gem Stones in a real water sluice! Challenge yourself on the 28' Climbing Wall! (See Reservation Form for per student costs)
- Check the Reservation Form for additional activities that are available at a small additional charge.

This fun-filled educational tour is available for only \$9.00 per student & chaperone. Two teachers are **FREE!** Each paid guest will receive a wristband to wear that is also a **FREE ADMISSION PASS (a \$15 value)** redeemable for a **FREE return** visit to the Farm during Pumpkin Fest, which opens September 26, 2015! (Can not be redeemed as a Fall School Tour admission)

In order to guarantee your tour date we require a \$100.00 non-refundable deposit **per class**. The deposit will be deducted from the total due on the day of your tour. This deposit is due within 7 days of phoning in your tour date. **Call today** to reserve your date! All reservations are taken on a first come – first served basis. **Note: All payments are due on arrival the day of your visit.** In order to provide an enjoyable experience for all, plan on your groups visit to last 2 hours. We store your lunches upon arrival. **Your school must stay together and depart together as a group.**

In order to start your tour as quickly as possible, please have the following ready **before** you exit your bus: 1) Have all monies from students collected. We accept payment in cash, school check, or credit card (**no coins please**). 2) The separate totals of students, teachers, and chaperones in your group. Your group will receive their wristbands based upon these figures. Upon arrival keep all students on the bus while one teacher goes to Kaity's Country Store in the big red barn in front to pay the balance due and receive your wristbands. **Teachers, chaperones, and students must stay together in their assigned groups in order for the group to experience all features of the tour. One of our guides will assist and direct your group while you are here, so that your group will experience all of the fun and educational activities on our Farm!**

Looking forward to making memories with you this spring/summer!

P.S. - Don't forget we start accepting fall school tour reservations in August!