

*Have fun  
while you learn!*



# **ELEMENTARY EDUCATION TOURS at Maybury Farm**

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*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.

## 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 active tour is specially designed for our younger visitors. During the walking tour, our guests will learn about and meet some of our farm animals. They will also get a chance to participate in the "farm Olympics" to work on their motor skills as they do farm or animal related movement 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:** \$11 per person or \$14 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 - end of October      **GRADES:** K -1st grade

**GROUP SIZE:** can accommodate from 15 - 125 participants

**TOUR LENGTH:** 60 minutes for groups of 15-75 people/3 activity rotations; 80 minutes for groups of 76-100 people/4 activity rotations; 100 minutes for groups of 101-125 people/5 activity rotations

### Farm Animals & Us

This exciting tour is set up for our elementary school students. We offer two versions of this tour: a lower elementary and an upper elementary aged 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. 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:** \$11 per person or \$14 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 - end of October      **GRADES:** 1st - 5th grade

**GROUP SIZE:** can accommodate from 15 -125 participants

**TOUR LENGTH:** 60 minutes for groups of 15-75 people/3 activity rotations; 80 minutes for groups of 76-100 people/4 activity rotations; 100 minutes for groups of 101-125 people/5 activity rotations

### 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! At the farm's garden, you'll get to see bees pollinating the food we eat, see inside a real, enclosed 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:** \$14 per person (*includes wagon ride*)

**AVAILABLE DATES:** June - September

**GRADES:** 2nd - 5th grade

**GROUP SIZE:** can accommodate from 15 -75 participants

**TOUR LENGTH:** 60 minutes

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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 4 portions: a wagon ride out to glimpse our corn maze, an educator led corn game where students learn about the importance of corn, an educator led tour of the farm animals and age appropriate STEM related harvesting activities. This tour includes the use of the playground and outdoor picnic tables.

COST: \$14 per person *(includes wagon ride and mini-corn maze)*

AVAILABLE DATES: October

GRADES: K - 5th grade

GROUP SIZE: can accommodate from 15 -125 participants

TOUR LENGTH: 60 minutes for groups of 15-75 people/3 activity rotations; 80 minutes for groups of 76-100 people/4 activity rotations; 100 minutes for groups of 101-125 people/5 activity rotations

### 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. Participants will learn how to identify a maple tree, how sugar maple trees produce sap, how to tap a tree, why sap flows, and how to collect it. You will even get a chance to taste the sap! The wagon will then take your group back 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: \$14 per person *(includes wagon ride and activities)*

AVAILABLE DATES: Tuesdays - Fridays in March *(availability subject to change based on weather)*

GRADES: K - 5th grade

GROUP SIZE: can accommodate from 15 -75 participants

TOUR LENGTH: 60 minutes

**Additional Information:** 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.