Planning Tips for Your Hall Family Farm Tour

Before Your Trip:

- Please let the bus driver know that we are on Providence Rd West, not Providence Rd!
- Your school will be placed into groups. Larger groups will be broken up by classes with two classes per group. For example if you have 6 classes coming to the farm then you will be placed in 3 groups, 2 classes per group. 7 classes will be 4 groups, 3 groups of 2 classes per group and 1 group with 1 class.
- Please take time to discuss "farm" life with your students, parents and chaperones. Please explain that you are visiting a working farm and they will need to dress appropriately (play clothes and tennis shoes). Also, please set boundaries for behavior, including not eating anything unless instructed. (For example, please do not eat strawberries from the vines as you are picking.)
- Please be ON TIME. You should plan to arrive 10-15 minutes before your scheduled tour to allow time for registration.
- Cancellations: If you must cancel your trip for reasons other than weather, please give use a two day notice.
- **Important information for adults attending the tour:** Parents and chaperones are welcome to attend the same activities as the kids. However, all purchases (hayrides, pumpkins, drinks, snacks, etc) should be done before or after the tour. We need the parents and chaperones to help the kids and keep an eye on them.
- Any adults attending the tour need to pay the same price as the child attending the tour (either \$8.50 or \$9.50 per person)
- Teachers and teaching assistants- please don't forget that this tour is for you as well. Please feel free to pick a pumpkin, ride the hayride, go through the corn maze, and drink a slushie! You earned it!

At The Farm: (see map on second page)

- Enter the main entrance and follow the path all the way to red/white sales tent. Someone will come and greet your bus. You will park your bus/vehicle near our exit unless otherwise directed.
- One designated teacher or parent should bring the payment to the sales tent.
- You will place your lunches in crates corresponding to your class's group name and one of our staff members will take them to our picnic area.
- Classes should line up by age group or class and will be guided from this point forward by a designated "farm hand." We will be giving an introduction in the tour group waiting area designated on the map.
- When your farm tour is complete you may also choose to leave or revisit the kid activities. Please be courteous of other tours going on as they receive first priority for the kid activities.
- Lunches will be delivered to one of the picnic tents for you.
- Your tour items will be delivered to your bus unless other arrangements are made.

After Your Trip:

- Check out the <u>Teacher Resources link</u> to find great ideas for integrating what students learned on the farm!
- Come again soon!!!

