



2023 Forsythe Family Farm Tours

Get outside! Come visit our farm!

The pupil will get the clearest insight into the character of things, of nature and surroundings if he sees and studies them in their natural connection ... the objects that are in closest and most constant connection with him, that owe their being to him ... these are the things of his nearest surroundings ... the garden, the farm, the meadow, the field, the forest. Froebel, 1826

Learning with wonder and joy - We are eagerly anticipating our upcoming spring, summer, and fall tour seasons with the confidence that our program's structure keeps the students safe while engaging with all our farm has to offer.

Making learning stick! Our tours are led by enthusiastic farm educators experienced in making learning memorable. They present an interactive, hands-on, fun learning experience as students explore the farm and the source of their food. Nurturing the farming connection and revealing the important role farms play in their everyday life helps strengthen the foundation for future healthier choices.

The Nitty Gritty of our 2023 Farm Tours



We are offering our two most popular tour programs [Farming Foundations](#) AND [Farm and Forest](#). Tours are available in spring, summer, and fall highlighting the seasons on our farm.

Two, three, and four-hour tours are available. Our most popular is 3 hours. It works well with bussing schedules and gives the students time to see and do everything available including time for lunch and play.

[Early Bird Booking Price](#)

Book by March 30th and save!

Farming Foundations (all ages)

2-hour tour - \$11.50 each+ HST

Farming Foundations (all ages)

3-hour tour-\$12.50 each+ HST

Farm and Forest (grades 1 plus)

3-hour tour - \$13.50 each + HST

There will be a 50-cent/student price increase as of March 31st.

A purchase order for TDSB schools or a deposit equal to the minimum charge of 20 students per group is required to confirm your booking date.

We'll keep your kids as busy as bees!

You will be greeted at your bus upon arrival by our farm educators who will stay with your group for the whole tour. They work with you throughout your tour to keep your visit relevant to your classroom objectives.

For adequate supervision, we allow one adult free for every 5 students (this includes teachers and assistants). Adults accompanying children with special needs are free.

For the health and safety of your group, we discourage parent volunteers from bringing their child's siblings along on the tour.

A letter about our farm's safety protocols is available for you to send out to your parents and participants.



The children need to dress for the weather conditions on the day of their tour.

Tours proceed rain or shine. We limit the use of our indoor spaces and keep our tour activities outdoors as much as possible.

Open fields and a breeze blowing keep us more comfortable in the summer but can make the farm much cooler, windier, and muddier than urban areas in the spring and fall.



From Farm to Tablet – Enjoy our Online Farm Education Video Program

When you book our Farming Foundations tour you will have free access to our online educational videos [Lessons from the Farm – Package 1](#) for one month. Our Farm and Forest tour gives you access to Package 2, and Grades 3, and 4 have access to Package 3.



Watching the lessons before you visit familiarizes your students with the farm and increases their comfort level. After your tour, it's a good review of your day spent here at the farm.

Each video lesson includes resources and worksheets to help students understand the material and dig deeper into the concepts presented.

Attached is a quick link that will give you information on what you would be receiving.

<https://forsythefamilyfarms.com/online-video-packages/>

Take home more than memories – Take home delicious!

Our market can be an integral part of your tour. It shows your students the variety of seasonal, Ontario-grown fruits and vegetables available. Conversation on the difference between our market and a grocery store deepens the understanding of eating locally grown in the journey of their food from farm to fork.

The seasons are evident in the produce available on our farm.

Our **farm market** is open for business when you visit. We sell fruits and vegetables, fresh from our farm along with our meats and a selection of Ontario farm products.

Take home a warm pie, fresh from the oven.

Pie orders can be placed upon arrival at our farm. We bake your pie while you are out on your tour. You can also organize an order the day before your tour.

