

Green Meadows Farm

School Field Trips, Scouts and other Group Programs

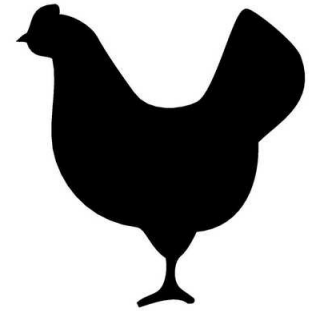
We offer programs and tours for groups designed to provide participants with hands-on learning experiences that work well with Massachusetts Agriculture in the Classroom frameworks. Scouts can work on a variety of badges, and we can tailor a program to meet your specific needs. Sessions last approximately 1.5 hours and cost \$7 per person, including siblings and chaperones. A \$25 deposit is requested to reserve your date. Participants should dress for the weather and wear closed shoes or boots. Please call our office directly to arrange a group visit.

School Groups Green Meadows Farm provides grade appropriate field trips which support the learning skills mandated by the Massachusetts Educational Standards. All our programs include hands-on experience with live animals and plants. We gear your trip to your needs and we will give you materials to supplement your pre and post teaching activities, i.e. vocabulary lists, key concepts, follow-up suggestions and recommended reading lists.

Life of a Seed is a study of plants, their life cycles and their growth requirements. Students will visit the greenhouses to see how we start new seedlings to extend the growing season and how we can adjust living conditions for plants that may be under stress. They will study the living organisms in soil by visiting (and turning) our compost pile. They may plant some seeds to take back to their classroom for further study.

Life of a Farm Animal is a general introduction to the animals that live and work on our farm. We will investigate the habitats of our chickens, ducks, pigs, and sheep and compare and contrast the ways in which we provide for their comfort and care and what they provide for us in turn. We will learn the difference between animals who work for us and animals we have as pets. Maybe some barn cats or a farm dog will show up to show us that some animals can be both workers and pets!

Life of a Chicken is an introduction to poultry on our organic farm. We study the life cycle of chickens, visit a hen house, gather eggs and talk about the best practices for raising healthy chicks. We will observe how they interact with each other, forage and maybe how they avoid predators. We will learn how they contribute to the farm through eggs and the fertility they provide.



Birthday Parties at Green Meadows Farm

All Parties include use of our tented area behind the farm stand. There is a handicap accessible restroom in the farm stand, and an additional sink is located behind the farm stand. We have hula hoops, balls, plastic bats and other toys for children to play with. Parents usually bring their own refreshments.

Parties cost \$125. for 12 children (including siblings) and \$10. per child above the original 12.

Please visit our website at gmfarm.com for more information.

“The Barnyard Bash”

Includes a tractor ride around the farm, a short introduction to Green Meadows, and an activity such as berry picking, or planting a seed, depending on the season. If for some reason a tractor ride is not possible (due to technical difficulties or muddy conditions) our Educator will lead an age-related farm craft and activity.

“Magical Fairy Party”

Our Educator will give a short lesson about how to build fairy houses (and elf forts), and then lead the group to our “Forest Fairy Village” where the children can build their own fairy houses. In case of rain, our Educator will have a special fairy craft prepared. Please add an additional \$5 per set of wings, if desired. Suggested for ages four and up, with chaperones helping the children.

“Pumpkin Party”

Similar to our “Barnyard Bash” party, children will take a tractor ride out to pick their own pumpkin, and then return to the party where they are welcome to decorate them if they wish. Held in October only, please add an additional \$5 per pumpkin.

We can also accommodate your family gathering, graduation party, wedding reception and more.
Please call our farm office for details at 978-468-3720 or email gm@gmfarm.com

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2010 Summer Pre-School and School-Aged Programs

Little Farmers (ages 3—5 with parent)

Introduces children to the livestock raised on the farm. We will focus on a different group of animals each session: birds, sheep, pigs and insects. We will be doing up-close watering and feeding and will participate in hands-on activities, stories, songs and more. There will be some walking about, so dress for the weather. We will meet in the greenhouse when it is too rainy to stay outside.

Cost \$40 per session

Session 1A: Thursdays, June 10, 17, 24, July 1 from 3pm—4pm

Session 1B: Fridays, June 11, 18, 25, July 2 from 9am—10am

Session 2A: Thursdays, July 8, 15, 22, 29 from 3pm—4pm

Session 2B: Fridays, July 9, 16, 23, 30 from 9am—10am

Session 3A: Thursdays, August 5, 12, 19, 26 from 3pm—4pm

Session 3B: Fridays, August 6, 13, 20, 27 from 9am—10am



Farmer's Helper Ages 6-11

Gives students an opportunity to see where their food really comes from and to participate in getting it table-ready. They will care for the animals (feeding, watering, carrying hay and other supplies), plant and tend a raised bed with their group, and sometimes join the farm crew in the fields for weeding and harvesting. They will be encouraged to keep a journal of their experiences. We will meet in the greenhouse when it is too rainy to stay outside. Bug spray may be needed. Cost \$60 per session.

Session 1A: Thursdays, June 10, 17, 24, July 1 from 9am—10:30am

Session 1B: Fridays, June 11, 18, 25, July 2 from 10:30am—Noon

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Green Meadows Farm 2010 Class Registration Form

Participant's Name	Class title	Session Dates	Price

Parent's Name _____

Street Address _____

City/Town _____

Phone number _____

Please mail in this form with your check made out to Green Meadows Farm. Visit our website at gmfarm.com for more class listings, special farm events and to sign up for our e-newsletter. **We offer adult workshops, a two-week teen film workshop, festivals, and have other great information. It will all be posted on our website and listed in our newsletter, so sign up today!**

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Farmstand Hours:

Through May 1

Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays 8am—6pm

May—October

Tuesdays—Sundays 8am—6pm (closed Mondays)