



Farm Discovery at Live Earth

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Dear Chaperone,

Farm Discovery at Live Earth is happy to have you participate in the Organic Family Farm Experience. You will enjoy seeing the students' excitement as they get hands-on experience of life on a farm. This is an interactive experience for classroom teachers and chaperones as well. As a result you, as a chaperone, play an important role in the success of each field trip.

Your group will be visiting a working farm, where the farmer depends on the land for his/her livelihood. Therefore, there are certain rules which we expect you to help the students follow. We will need you to participate with the students during every activity, assist with first aid (if needed), and make certain that any food packaging or other garbage brought onto the farm is taken with you at the end of your field trip.

In order to keep the children safe and ensure that everyone has a wonderful experience, your role is to make certain that the children follow these simple rules and engage with them throughout the trip in what they are learning. Please remember you are responsible for dealing with any disruptive student behavior.

- Pay attention to information and instructions given by the farmer or a Farm Discovery docent.
- Respect fences, trees, and farm equipment by not climbing on them, unless by invitation of the farmer.
- Ask the farmer where it is safe to go. Do not run in planted fields or step on the vegetables.
- Picking fruits or vegetables should be by invitation from the farmer only.
- Always stay with an adult when touching an animal.
- Keep voices low, as shouting and quick movements can upset the animals.
- **Low** and **Slow** are the words for behavior on the farm.

Thank you so much for giving your time so the students can have this special experience. We hope that your experience on our local farm will be educational and inspiring.

Enjoy your farm visit!

Jessica Ridgeway
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For a great visit please bring:
• Closed toed shoes

- Weather appropriate clothing
- Sun protection (hat, sunblock)
- Reusable water bottle

PLEASE DO NOT BRING YOUR DOG TO THE FARM

We have dogs on the farm, whose purpose is to protect the farm from other animals. For the safety of the children who visit, we ask that you leave your animals at home. There is rarely adequate shade for you to leave your animal in the car while on site.

**If you need your service dog to accompany you to our site, please contact us in advance and have your service dog clearly marked. We will do our best to prepare for your animal's visit and accommodate your needs for a service animal.*

