



Strawberry Hill U.S.A. Spring Field Trip Teacher Information



Welcome!

Students will have the opportunity to take a tractor-drawn tour of the farm, viewing not only strawberries being harvested but the early stages of peach growth, high tunnel structures, 100 bee hives up on the hill, and don't forget the nearly 400 American flags we fly on the farm! We have age-tailored presentations that cover topics including land and soil prep, basic needs of a plant, lifecycle of a strawberry plant, seasonal changes in weather, honey bee pollination, importance of irrigation, and how fruit matures and ripens. Your students will even have an opportunity to pick a strawberry fresh from the field!

Pricing: \$9 per child or chaperone

**Two teachers per class of 20, no charge for tour*

Field trip duration: 1 hour and 15 minutes plus your lunch time. Please allow yourself at least 2 hours on the farm.

Field Trip includes:

- Tractor Tour of Strawberry Hill U.S.A.
- Pint of strawberries
- Cup of homemade ice-cream (your choice of strawberry, chocolate, or vanilla)
- Educational coloring book

PRIOR TO YOUR TRIP:

- Please call (864) 461-3000 two to three days prior to your trip to give a more specific headcount of the total number of children, teachers, parents and siblings attending. This detail is very important as we go by the numbers you give us to determine how many wagons your group will have on the day of your trip. **If you have more parents attend than the numbers given, we cannot guarantee that there will be room on the wagon for them, so please let us know in advance.*

WHAT ADDRESS SHOULD WE COME TO?

- Please give this address to your bus drivers, chaperones, and parents:
3092 Hwy 11 West Chesnee, SC 29323
- This area is located beside our Café, across the highway from our produce shed. Please park buses alongside the white picket fence.

HOW EARLY SHOULD WE ARRIVE?

- Please arrive 10-15 minutes prior to the start of your field trip so we can ensure that your group starts on time. **Late arrival equals time deducted from field trip.*
- Please encourage parents to arrive early (and bring cash) as well to give them ample time to purchase their wristbands for field trip. **We will not delay the field trip due to late parent chaperones.*

WHERE TO CHECK IN?

- Have your "Lead teacher" check in at our *Welcome Table*, which will be located at the top of the hill outside the white picket fence.
- Parent Chaperones/siblings (ages 2+) will pay for their wristband at our *Welcome Table*. Parents/siblings must have a wristband before loading onto wagon. Prices for parents and siblings is \$9 ages 2+.

HOW DO WE PAY?

- *For schools*, we accept cash, checks, and credit cards (we do not accept American Express). But, we strongly urge that you pay for the field trip with a school or personal check.
 - We can always refund you in cash for children who do not come, or you can add cash to adjust for last minute changes.
 - If you need an invoice so that your school can cut a check to bring with you, please email or call us ahead of time and we will fax it to you.
- *For parents*, please pay with cash.

We want to spend time with the children, not with the collection of money.

WANT TO ORDER LUNCH FROM US?

We are more than happy to arrange **teacher lunches** from our café to be ready for you at the beginning of your lunch time. This is how we do it: please have each teacher write separately on zip-lock bags their order and enclose with cash or credit card (if using cash, please write how much money is enclosed on the outside of bag). For example:

Mrs. Cooley
Cheeseburger, mayo and lettuce only
Fries
Sweet tea
\$10 cash enclosed

We will put your change and receipt back in zip-lock bag and deliver it at your lunch time! Our menu is located on our website under the Café and Ice-cream tab.

***Please note this convenience is for TEACHERS ONLY.** Parent chaperones are more than welcome to order lunch from our café, but they must walk up to the café to place order and bring their own food back to picnic area. **Please let us know in advance if your teachers would like to order lunch from our café so we can plan accordingly!**

WHAT ELSE?

- We are a farm, so tell your students to dress accordingly! Remember: dirt + rain = mud. **Light jackets or rain boots/old shoes are recommended.**
- Please bring water for your group after lunch. We **strongly** recommend a large cooler with cups.
- You may want to bring some hand sanitizer for your students to use before eating lunch.
- You are welcome to bring games or sports balls from your school to play with inside our large, fenced in play area after lunch and stay as long as you'd like!
- No pets allowed.

See you soon!

If you have any additional questions about your field trip, please contact:

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