

Welcome to Great Parks' school program offerings for the 2023–2024 school year! We're bringing the best of nature to you, wherever your classroom may be.

All field trips with Great Parks address the Ohio Department of Education's Learning Standards for kindergarten through eighth grade. If you don't see a program that meets your educational requirements, or if your group adheres to Next Generation standards, please contact us and we will work to adjust the program to meet your needs.

Pricing

- Pricing per student varies (some programs include a wagon ride)
- Teachers are free of charge
- One (1) additional chaperone for every 10 children is free
- Additional chaperones: same price as student

Financial Assistance

Great Parks believes that all members of our community should have access to all that the great outdoors has to offer. Our scholarship fund is a way in which families and organizations can connect a child with nature through financial assistance.

- Partial scholarships are available to teachers and organizations to help offset the cost of a school or group program. All applicants will be considered for a scholarship, but the priority will be given to groups located in Hamilton County. The award can be up to 75% of the cost of the program with a maximum of \$300.
- To learn more, click [here](#) and select Scholarships.

Discounts can be applied based on free and reduced lunch percentages. Please let us know when you contact us.

Booking a Program

Ready to book a program? Have a question that's not answered here? Here are the next steps:

Email schoolprograms@greatparks.org

- Enter in the subject line the program name and grade level
- Give possible dates for when you plan to visit
- Please allow at least 30 days for scheduling. Dates are subject to availability.

Parky's Farm

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Pre-Kindergarten

Spring on the Farm

Available April & May

Spring is in the air at Parky's Farm! Explore the garden to see what's sprouting and learn how the animals are getting ready for warmer weather. Take a wagon ride through the woods to see the spring changes up close. During this program students will:

- Meet farm animals and learn their basic needs
- Discover the basic needs of plants and help in the garden
- Learn about the spring changes that happen on the farm
- Take a wagon ride

Ohio Department of Education Early Learning & Development Standards:

- *Explores and investigates objects and events in the environment.*
- *With modeling and support, recognize familiar elements of the natural environment and understand that these may change over time.*
- *With modeling and support, identify physical characteristics and simple behaviors of living things.*
- *With modeling and support, demonstrate an understanding that living things change over time (e.g., life cycle).*

Cost: \$10/student (includes wagon ride)

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Kindergarten - Third Grade

Fall on the Farm

Available Sept. & Oct.

Fall is a busy time on the farm! Help the farmers get ready for winter on the barnyard and learn about how the animals are getting ready too. Journey through the woods on a wagon ride to see the changing seasons up close. During this program students will:

- Discover how the farm animals prepare for winter
- Help our local wildlife brave the cold by building toad homes
- Observe the changing seasons on a wagon ride

Ohio Department of Education Science Learning Standards:

- *K.ESS.1 Weather changes are long-term and short-term.*
- *K.LS.2 Living things have physical traits and behaviors that influence their survival.*
- *1.ESS.1 The sun is the principal source of energy.*
- *2.ESS.1 The atmosphere is primarily made up of air.*
- *2.ESS.2 Water is present in the atmosphere.*
- *2.ESS.3 Long- and short-term weather changes occur due to changes in energy.*
- *3.LS.2 Individuals of the same kind of organism differ in their inherited traits. These differences give some individuals an advantage in surviving and/or reproducing.*

Cost: \$10/student (includes wagon ride)

Farms, Gardens & Me

Available April & May

Take a journey to the barnyard and garden to discover what plants, animals and people need to survive. Help in the garden and on the farm and learn about where our food comes from. Relax and journey through the woods on a wagon ride. During this program students will:

- Meet some animals and learn how their basic needs are met
- Dig in the garden to discover how plants grow and how they help us
- Relax on a wagon and learn about farm-wildlife interactions

Ohio Department of Education Science Learning Standards:

- *K.LS.1 Living things have specific characteristics and traits*
- *K.LS.2 Living things have physical traits and behaviors, which influence their survival*
- *1.LS.1 Living things have basic needs, which are met by obtaining materials from their physical environment*
- *1.LS.2 Living things survive only in environments that meet their needs*
- *2.LS.1 Living things cause changes on Earth*
- *3.LS.2 Individuals of the same kind of organism differ in their inherited traits. These differences give some individuals an advantage in surviving and/or reproducing.*
- *3.LS.3 Plants and animals have life cycles that are part of their adaptations for survival in their natural environments.*

Cost: \$10/student (includes wagon ride)

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Fourth & Fifth Grade

Farms & Food Webs

Available Sept. & Oct., April & May

Discover the wonders of food webs fresh from the farm. Explore the barnyard, get your hands dirty in the garden, and learn how everything connects.

During this program students will:

- Learn about energy transfer
- Investigate their role and the roles of farms in the food web
- Explore the farmyard and garden

Ohio Department of Education Science Learning Standards:

- *4.LS.1 Changes in an organism's environment are sometimes beneficial to its survival and sometimes harmful*
- *5.LS.1 Organisms perform a variety of roles in an ecosystem*
- *5.LS.2 All of the processes that take place within organisms require energy*

Cost: \$7/student