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## **Fall Pumpkin Field Trip**

### **Offered Tuesdays-Fridays in October**

Educating children about farming and growing crops is our passion. Bring your class to Wayside Farm Fun in Berryville for a hands-on agricultural education experience. This field trip is perfect for all ages - hop aboard the hayride, pick a pumpkin from the vine, and learn about bees and their role in pumpkin crops. Your field trip includes the following elements:

#### **Pumpkin Classroom (20 minutes)**

As the bus arrives at Wayside Farm Fun, you will get a hardy farm greeting from your farm guide. In the learning classroom, students will learn about: the Life Cycle of the Pumpkin, the Bee Dance, and Pumpkin Varieties.

#### **Pumpkin Picking Experience (20 minutes)**

Hop aboard the hayride and head to the pumpkin field. Each student will have the opportunity to pick one pumpkin from the field. Students will be taught how to pick a pumpkin and how to tell when they are ready to pick. Your farm guide will assign students to a designated field for picking. Each student will take home one pumpkin.

#### **Barnyard Play (30 minutes)**

Students will run as fast as they can, play and use their imaginations in the 5-acre barnyard play area. All farm-themed activities including the combine slide and the tractor teeter-totter are fun for all ages.

#### **Spookley the Square Pumpkin - Bullying Prevention (option for pre-school - second grade) (20 minutes)**

Students will hear the story of Spookley, the square pumpkin, and try to find square pumpkins in the field. October is National Bullying Prevention Month and Spookley at Wayside Farm Fun teaches students that all pumpkins are different, just like people. Wayside Farm Fun offers a variety of activities for teachers to take back to the classroom to talk about bullying prevention.

#### **Corn Maze (option for grades 3, 4 and 5) (20 minutes)**

For older students, we give them a chance to "get lost" in our 10-acre corn maze. Working their way through the maze, students will be challenged to ask standards-based questions on life science topics, such as plants, photosynthesis, soil and nutrients.

#### **Important Information:**

1. Please be on time. You should plan to arrive 15 minutes before your scheduled time to check-in.
2. The field trip is scheduled to last 90 minutes.
3. The cost for students and parents is \$10.00 per person two and over. This includes pumpkin lesson, reading with Spookley the square pumpkin, 1 free admission pass for the weekend, one pumpkin, and hayride. Teachers are free.
4. Teachers with more than 20 paying visitors will select a class pumpkin to take with them.

To schedule your field trip, please complete the field trip schedule form at [www.waysidefarmfun.com](http://www.waysidefarmfun.com). All questions can be sent to Harriet via email at [harriet@waysidefarmfun.com](mailto:harriet@waysidefarmfun.com).