

QUIET VALLEY LIVING HISTORICAL FARM

Quiet Valley is committed to making sure your visit is as educational and enjoyable as possible. The following suggestions are intended to facilitate a positive visiting experience.

Please print this and share it with your partner teachers, teacher aids and chaperons.

- Prior to contacting us to schedule your visit, please select at least **three possible dates** for your trip. Check with your school's transportation office first to ensure adequate busing. Please be sure to include your arrival and departure times with your requests and confirm those times with your transportation office. Quiet Valley offers a variety of educational programs for school age children throughout the year. If you are unable to schedule your first choice of program, please consider scheduling one of our other quality experiences.
- Quiet Valley typically can handle eight groups of twenty-five participants per group for tours. Please limit the number of chaperons and parents who attend with your group as they occupy greater space than children. In order to save valuable time, please have your groups organized prior to their arrival. Use fun ways to organize each group by designating groups by farm animal instead of numbers, etc. Use your imagination!
- School programs continue rain or shine. **Please contact us ahead of time if you will be unable to attend due to inclement weather.**
- The farm buildings are very popular with children. Please help us maintain a safe environment for both your students and our animals by not feeding or petting animals without the direct supervision of one of our farm staff. **If students do pet or feed the animals, remind them to wash their hands.** Hand washing stations and hand sanitizers are available for your student's use. Instruct students not to chase animals, make loud noises around the animals, climb fences or trees or enter any of the stalls or pastures.
- Encourage your students to wear name tags so that our staff may be able to interact more personally with your students.
- Quiet Valley is an outdoor museum and your students should be prepared by dressing appropriately for the weather. Please ask they wear shoes they do not mind getting dirty and no opened toed shoes of any kind.
- There is a picnic pavilion available on-site for you to use. If possible, please arrange to keep your lunches on your bus until your lunch break. **Quiet Valley is committed to recycling and we ask that all teachers and chaperons assist their students with disposing of their recyclables in the appropriate containers. No food or beverages are permitted outside the picnic area.**
- Our Gift Shop is available during your tour and offers many mementos of your visit to Quiet Valley. Please remind your students that Pennsylvania charges 6% sales tax on every dollar.
- If you have any students who may require special assistance, please let us know in advance so that we can assist you.
- Once you have scheduled a tour, we will send a confirmation either via fax, email or postal mail. Please return that confirmation as soon as possible. Payment may be made in advance or upon arrival. Please make checks payable to: Quiet Valley Living Historical Farm.

