



NOVICK FAMILY URBAN FARM

Farm Visit Confirmation and Expectations

Greetings Teachers and Chaperones!

We're looking forward to spending this time with your class at the Novick Family Urban Farm. Please read this information thoroughly and pass along to all adults who will be accompanying your group on your scheduled field trip. Directions to the farm and where to park are at the end of this document. Please sign and return page 2 to urbanfarm@novickbrothers.com prior to your first visit.

What We Expect From You:

Please plan on arriving 10 minutes early. The farm visit starts at 9:30 AM and ends by 11:30 AM unless specifically arranged otherwise. It always seems to take a little longer than planned to get here. Being on time is important because we want to maximize the time with your students. Also, if appropriate for your group, it's a good idea to encourage students to have a snack and use the restroom before they arrive at the farm. **Please note that all visits will end at the scheduled time, regardless of arrival time.**

Role of Chaperones:

Groups are required to have an appropriate student to chaperone ratio. For early education groups (3-5 year olds), we ask for a ratio of 1 chaperone per 5 students. For elementary age groups (6-12 years old), we ask for a ratio of 1 chaperone per 10 students. Due to limited free walking space on the farm, we ask that you limit the number of adult chaperones only to the number required for your group.

We invite accompanying chaperones to participate on the trip and encourage them to help shepherd the students in their group. With their help, the educators will be free to focus on educational activities, not crowd control. Chaperones are required to ensure children do not run, stay on paths and follow all farm rules.

The basic 3 rules of the farm are:

1. Watch Where You Step
2. Pay Attention
3. Be Respectful

Also, keep in mind that the field trip is oriented towards children, so please ask chaperones to refrain from asking "adult" questions during the program. We would be happy to answer more technical garden questions and provide gardening literature after the program.

Dress appropriately. All students, teachers, chaperones, and anyone attending with the class are required to wear **closed-toed shoes** and weather-appropriate attire. Make sure students are prepared for the weather and keep in mind that this is a hands-on experience — they may get dirty. Discourage nice shoes or clothes that cannot get muddy.

Weather: If it looks like there will be light rain during your visit please encourage your students to bring rainwear and boots if they have them. Light rain is no problem, but heavy rain will cancel a field trip and we will call the morning of



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the field trip if the rain is too heavy. Classes may continue in case of inclement weather, as mutually agreed upon. Any of the following conditions will constitute cause for probable cancellation of classes: • Temperatures higher than 95 degrees or lower than 45 degrees • Thunder and lightning storms

Cancellations: If you need to cancel your visit, please let us know as soon as possible as we may be able to offer your time to another center. Please contact UrbanFarm@novickbrothers.com

Allergies: Our programs include tasting of seeds, herbs and vegetables. Please let us know of any allergies, and assign a chaperone to help young children be mindful of allergens.

What You Can Expect From Us:

All visits include a farm tour with sensory activities, hands-on engagement and “farm work”, and a lesson on an aspect of the farm. Field Trips generally run from 9:30 AM -11:30 AM

The farm is focused on growing fruits and vegetables. We also have chickens. **There are no other animals on the farm.**

Restrooms: There is a portable restroom with a sink available for all to use during the visit. Groups will have the option to be escorted by Farm Staff indoors to use facilities at the beginning or end of the visit.

We will provide shaded areas for a respite from the sun. Groups will not have other indoor access unless specifically arranged with Novick staff.

Drinking Water: Coolers with cold drinking water will be available.

Novick Brothers, its staff and its affiliates assume no responsibility for care of children or personal belongings. Use of our facilities and property is entirely at your own risk.

Please Sign Below indicating that you have read and acknowledge the expectations of visiting the Novick Family Urban Farm.

Your Name (Print): _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Center Name: _____ Date of First Visit: _____

Please email or fax completed forms to: urbanfarm@novickbrothers.com / 215.467.3357 **prior to your first visit**

Novick Brothers Parking and Entrance

- The lot entrance is at the end of Lawrence St. Please park on the north side of the building. Keep in mind that our office is an operating business and we do have delivery trucks moving in and out of the property.



Directions

From I-95 South:

1. Take exit 19 for I-76 E toward Walt Whitman Bridge/Packer Ave
2. Keep right, follow signs for I-76 W/Packer Ave
3. Turn right onto S Front St (signs for I-76 W/Packer Ave)
4. Turn right onto Pattison Ave
5. Turn left onto S Lawrence St
6. Destination will be on the right

From I-95 North/ Delaware:

1. Take exit 17 for Peninsula 611 N
2. Merge onto S Broad St
3. Slight right to stay on S Broad St
4. Turn right onto Pattison Ave
5. Turn right onto S Lawrence St.

6. Destination will be on the right

From 76 East:

1. Take exit 350 for Packer Ave toward I-95
2. Keep left at the fork to continue toward Packer Ave
3. Turn left onto Packer Ave
4. Turn right onto S Lawrence St
5. Destination will be on the right

From 76 West/ New Jersey/ Walt Whitman Bridge:

1. Once you cross the bridge, Take exit 350 for Seventh St toward Packer Ave
2. Merge onto S 7th St
3. Turn left onto Pattison
4. Turn right onto S Lawrence St.
5. Destination will be on the right

