



**It's almost time for Harvest at the Homestead!**

## Booking Fall Field Trips Now!

Explore the John R. Park Homestead's Harvest Program for K-4 curriculum experiences that let you get hands-on with history!

- Gather wind-fall apples in the orchard followed by pressing and tasting apple cider (pasteurized cider is served for safety)
- Enjoy an old fashioned Corn Bee where students can try husking, shelling, and more
- Help with the Apple Bee as we peel, core, slice and hang apples to dry (food preservation); samples of dried apple available
- Visit the early settler garden to lend a hand with this year's harvest



To book a program and for more information contact:

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## Harvest Program Curriculum Connections by Grade:

- **Grade 1** – Roles and Responsibilities, The Local Community, Daily and Seasonal Changes
- **Grade 2** - Changing Family and Community Traditions
- **Grade 3** – Communities in Canada 1780-1850, Land Use and the Environment, Growth and Changes in Plants
- **Grade 4** – Early Societies (Some technologies remained relatively unchanged from ancient societies through the 19th Century), Political and Physical Regions of Canada



### Early Settler Experiential Program

*Available year-round except Jan/Feb*

Enjoy the Homestead's immersive 1840's living history experience for a memorable social studies field trip.

All field trips include a tour of grounds and outbuildings and old-fashioned toys and games!

**Choose 2 of the following hands-on activities to customize your day:**

- Woodworking
- Textile Weaving
- Old-Fashioned Laundry
- Open-fire Cooking
- Blacksmithing (subject to availability)
- Butter Making

### Sample Schedule\*

10:00-10:15 Arrival, Washroom Break  
 10:15-11:15 ERCA Program Part 1  
 11:15-11:45 Lunch  
 11:45-12:45 ERCA Program Part 2  
 12:45-1:00 Prepare for Departure

\*Schedule fully customizable to meet your school and transportation needs

**It's not too early...  
Reserve now for:**

***Winter Traditions & Celebrations***  
Nov. 27 to Dec. 19



***Wildlife in Winter***  
December through February

***Maple - Sweet Taste of Spring***  
Feb. 19 to Mar. 31