

Lewis' Farm Market & Petting Farm  
Spring/Summer School Tour & Self-Guided Tour  
Frequently Asked Questions

1. How do we make a reservation?

Go to our website [lewisfarmmarket.com](http://lewisfarmmarket.com), School Tours, pick the season. A credit card is required to make a reservation. This card is just to hold your reservation-your card WILL NOT be charged. All reservations are first come, first serve basis. When you go to the reservation page you will note that on each day there is a number. This number is the total amount of people allotted for that time slot. Each day starts with 80. As people book the number is lowered or says full. The number for that day MUST include staff, students, parents and siblings.

Self-Guided Tours-Follow the same steps. Friday starts with 400 slots.

2. When are school tours offered?

Spring Tours are offered May thru June

Summer Tours are offered June thru August

Tuesday & Thursdays

Self-Guided Tours are offered May thru August on Fridays Only

See reservation calendar for dates.

Subject to weather and availability.

3. What time are school tours offered?

Tour starts 9:15am-10:45am,

Tour starts at 10:45am-12:15pm

Tour starts at 12:15pm-1:45pm

Please arrive on time, remember **if you are late for your tour, your tour will be cut short** as another tour follows you.

4. What is included in the school tour?

Our Spring & Summer Tour are a **"Hands On Adventure"**, learn about plants in an "up close and personal" experience. Climb aboard **The Apple Express** for a narrated ride through the Apple Orchard, you will learn about the **trees** that have been **dormant** all winter and how the **buds and blossoms will produce fruit**. Learn how a plant grows, and its life cycle. Plant your own

seed, take it home, transplant it and watch it grow. Explore our winding tunnels of earthworms and learn how worms contribute to the soil. Everyone will be able to jump on our Jumping Pillow for 20 minutes.

Our Self-Guided Spring/Summer School Tour lets your group tour the farm at your leisure; arrive at 9:15am and stay as long as your schedule allows! Enjoy some of the activities, including the jumping pillow, pedal carts, barrel train and educational wagon rides.

5. What do we do when we arrive?

When you arrive please have one person come into the Market for payment and further instructions. **We have found the payment process works much smoother if you follow these steps:**

- a. Get a total count of staff, students, chaperones and siblings prior to the trip.
- b. Ask that payment be made prior to your trip so the school can write one check.
- c. Have the count ready when the host calls you 3 days prior to your trip: students, staff, chaperones and siblings.
- d. We understand that your school may have booked more than 1 trip, however, we ask that the check or payment only cover trips scheduled on that day. Please do not pay for trips scheduled ahead.

Self-Guided tour starts at 9:15am and you can arrive anytime after that and stay until 2:30pm

6. How many people can attend the school tour?

No more than 80 (for each time slot if available) including, teachers, students, chaperones, parents & siblings.

Self-Guided tour does not have time slots.

7. How long can we stay?

Your tour is 1 hour and 15 minutes, prior to your visit you need to let us know if you are staying for lunch. You are welcome to stay longer however, we ask if you stay longer and other tours are going on you keep your group together and please, don't interfere with other tours.

Self-Guided tours can stay from 9:15am-2:30pm

8. How much does the school tour cost?

One teacher and one aide per classroom are free, all other staff, students, chaperones, parents and siblings are \$3.50 per person. (all siblings that can walk will be charged, anyone not included in teachers payment will pay \$4.50 at the door.)

Self-Guided tours are \$5.00 per person - Friday's only.

9. What about food and beverage?

School Tours are welcome to bring their own lunch, a picnic area is available. Please make sure your area is left as you found it. Garbage bins are located in the picnic area.

10. Is there somewhere to keep our supplies cold?

There is no cooler or freezer space available.

11. Where are the restrooms located?

The restrooms are located to the east end of the Market Building, There is also a hand washing station just outside the restrooms.

12. Who is responsible for cleaning up?

We ask that your site be left in the same condition as you found it. Garbage bins are provided under the pavilion.

13. Will there be other school tours during our tour?

Possibly. Depending on the size of your tour, more than one tour could be booked at the same time. This means there could be other students and parents on your tour.

14. Are pets allowed?

No pets are allowed, for the health and safety of all animals and our guests.

15. What if it rains?

In case of rain, we will contact you in the morning of the tour to let you know if your tour is canceled.

16. What if we have to cancel our tour?

Before you book your tour please check your schedule and make sure that day is available. We understand sometimes things don't work out as planned, however; cancellations take time and cost money. At this time we do not charge for cancellations but will consider charging if multiple cancellations occur.

17. Can we do other activities?

Yes, after your tour is complete you are welcome to do other activities. Just keep in mind other tours are going on and we ask that you do not interrupt them. All activities are weather permitting.

If we happened to miss your question, please call us at 231-861-5730