

**Grade 2 Field Trip to
Prairie Gardens & Adventure Farm
Tuesday, October 23rd, 2018
Junior Farmers GUIDED Field Trip**

Dear Grade Two Parents,

On October 23rd, 2018, the grade two classes will be going on a field trip to Prairie Gardens. The program that we will be participating in is called, "Junior Farmer." We will be experiencing a guided tour. To cultivate curiosity and wonder, we engage children's exploration of the farm fostering joyful relationships between children and their immediate world. We immerse students in local heritage and sustainable farm culture with the first-hand experiences of a real working farm. Experience a maze adventure, the farm goats, sheep and bunnies while visiting the petting zoo, learn about the pumpkins, observe pumpkins in their indoor "Pumpkin Land", team-build real life scarecrows with straw, (optional) hike the Nature Trail, and if they are brave, go through the (optional) spook-tacular Haunted Pumpkin Festival attractions - including the Haunted House, Enchanted Woods, and Play Areas.

Please ensure that children and volunteers are dressed appropriately for fall weather. Winter boots, hats, mittens and warm jackets, snow pants, rain coats and umbrellas, if necessary, are best if cold. If it rains or snows, Prairie Gardens will do as many outdoor activities as the weather will allow. They do have an alternative program indoors, if need be. *As this is a rural working farm, please prepare children for the "outhouse" experience.*

Agenda for the day

9:15 AM -load buses to leave for Prairie Gardens

10:00 - 2:00 (approx.) Junior Farming Programming.

12: 15 - 1:00 - lunch - Students and Volunteers bring a substantial lunch and two snacks, plus a water bottle.

2:15 PM - load buses to return back to Madonna

Cost will be: The cost will be \$22.85 per student \$16.80 for admission \$6.05 for bus

Please do not send extra money for vending machines or gift shop items. Field trip cost is based on 100% class participation and can/will change based on actual attendance the day of the trip.

Payment: This fee has been added to your child's account. Please go onto Power School and pay through the parent portal.

Volunteers: We will need 3 parent chaperones from each class. If you can help, please send back permission form and volunteer slip by Wednesday, Oct. 4th.

a.s.a.p. (Please remember you do need to have a criminal record check on file at the school). We will be leaving by bus at 9:15 a.m. and returning around 2:45 p.m.

Mrs. LaRose and Ms. Thompson