

# Wessels Living History Farm

Jr. Docent/Farmhand/Family Volunteer Program  
Middle School & High School students, Families



Do you enjoy helping people? If playing with the goats, getting your hands dirty in the garden or leading guests through the house sounds like a good way to spend some time, consider joining the volunteer team at Wessels! There are many things you may do, inside and out! Some like to act as docents— giving tours, helping with youth classes, demonstrating various farm skills... while others would rather help behind the scenes— working in the garden, taking care of animals, making small repairs or painting, cleaning, setting up for events, etc. There are also opportunities to help the adult volunteers with tractor and equipment maintenance, help us during our lively events, maintain the gift shop, and more! Maybe you have a talent to share— do you play an instrument or sing, are you artistic or creative? There are so many opportunities to be involved at the farm! Students interested in history, agriculture, tourism, teaching or just simply getting outside are welcome!

## docent

*noun* do·cent \ 'dō-sənt , dō(t)-'sent \

a person who leads guided tours especially through a museum or art gallery (or living history farm!)

**MS/HS:** While all MS students are welcome, students 14 and older are able to help with some things that younger students may not be. Generally, MS students younger than 14 will help an adult staff person or volunteer or work in a small group and are scheduled when we have enough adults to supervise. Students 14 and older may do some things on their own, not requiring adult supervision.

**FAMILIES:** Interested in volunteering as a family? The farm is a great place to spend some quality time, and an excellent opportunity to let your eager elementary students be involved! With a parent along, there are things for all ages to help us with!

**DRESS:** We ask that our volunteers and docents wear clothing similar to what was worn in the 20s— jeans or overalls and white shirts, skirts or dresses and aprons, etc.

**SCHEDULE:** Help when it works for YOU! We need help daily, especially for our events!

## Jr. Docent/Farmhand/Family Volunteer Orientations

**Choose ONE:** Sun., April 29th 2-4 pm, Wed., May 2nd, 4-6 pm, Sun. May 6th 2-4 pm

Overview of the farm, hands-on activities, permission forms, make ice cream, meet the animals, games, explore the farm! Adults welcome but not required to stay for MS/HS students!

Please RSVP so we may plan accordingly! Join us to learn more, decide after!

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