



O'BRIEN FARM

# FIELD TRIPS

## Guidelines

### **Accessibility**

O'Brien Farm has fully accessible facilities, including our Interpretation Centre, Thimble Cottage, and our lawn. A portion of the nature walk component of our field trips takes place on one of our trails, which is rated as a moderate hike. If this component of the session would be inaccessible for any participants (i.e. teachers, students, or chaperones), or if there are any other accessibility needs that we should be aware of, please let us know on your registration form.

### **Allergies**

O'Brien Farm is a primarily outdoor space and a working farm. Please be aware that students may come into contact with some allergens including but not limited to pollen, bees, animal fur, etc.

### **Cancellation**

If you need to cancel your field trip for any reason, please let us know as soon as possible.

### **Lunches**

Students are welcome to bring snacks and/or lunches to the farm. If you would like to stay at the farm for lunch before or following your session, please let us know on your registration form.

### **Costs and Payment**

Field trips cost \$5 per participant. There is no cost for teachers and chaperones. Following your field trip, O'Brien Farm will invoice your school according to the number of students that attended the session. For payment, we accept cash, cheque, e-transfer, and card.

### **Scheduling**

O'Brien Farm field trips are offered in the fall (September through November) and spring (~April through June), and in morning and afternoon sessions. Each session is approximately 2 hours.

### **Transportation**

Busses can drive right up to the front of Thimble Cottage, however we ask that all busses use the Mount Scio entrance to Oxen Pond Road. A parking lot is available just up from Thimble Cottage for chaperones.

### **Weather and Clothing**

With the exception of extreme weather events (i.e. hurricanes, wind warnings, etc.), field trips at O'Brien Farm take place rain or shine! Even if the forecast is calling for sunshine, we encourage everyone to wear comfortable shoes, a rain coat, and, especially in the fall, to dress in layers.