

KELSEY CREEK FARM

Promoting learning opportunities
in a farm environment



2026 FALL PROGRAMS



Kelsey Creek Farm offers the community a unique opportunity to step out of urban life and into a working farm experience while preserving its historic character through interpretive displays and educational programs. Our activities promote creativity, hands-on learning, and outdoor exploration for visitors of all ages. Admission is free, though donations are always appreciated. The farm provides a welcoming environment to connect with nature, observe farm animals and participate in seasonal events.

When visiting any Bellevue park, please keep all dogs and pets on a leash. For the health and safety of our farm animals, kindly follow posted signs restricting pets from the barnyard.



**FARM ANIMALS IN THE PASTURES
DAILY FROM 9 a.m.-3 p.m.
365 DAYS A YEAR
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Farm Fun at Home

Farm Animal Pen Pal

Are you curious about what Kelsey Creek Farm's animals are up to? Sign up for this program to receive a letter from one of our adorable farm animals! When you sign up, your animal will send you a letter and a photograph of him/herself. If you send a letter in reply to your farm animal, you will receive a customized letter in return. For each purchase, you will receive a picture of your animal, a self-addressed envelope, and up to two letters.

Ages: Recommended for ages 4-10 but all are welcome

Fees: \$5 (R) / \$6 (N)

Hours/Dates: This program does not meet in person. You will be mailed up to two letters.

[Barley the Bunny](#)

[Franny the Cow](#)

[Oliver the Goat](#)

[Valiente the Pony](#)

[Zoomie the Chicken](#)



Classes and Programs

Adult/Child

Little Farmers

Enjoy hands-on fun in the barn and barnyard with your little one. Help with barn chores, feed and pet animals, make crafts, enjoy parallel play and take a pony ride. Each session highlights a different set of animals. While some favorite animals and activities will repeat, there will be new experiences to enjoy along the way. Be ready to play indoors and outdoors and to get a bit messy. Siblings under 2 are welcome in front or back carriers.

Ages: 2-3

Fees: \$78 (R) / \$94 (N)

Hours/Dates: Tue, 10-11:30 a.m.

[Sept. 8-22](#)

[Oct. 13-27](#)

[Nov. 3-17](#)

[Dec. 1-15](#)



Drop off

Farm Explorers

Discover farm life through animal care, barn chores, a pony ride and making snacks. This drop-off program features seasonal themes, crafts, stories, and hands-on time with farm animals. Each session highlights a different set of animals. While some favorite animals and activities will repeat, there will be new experiences to enjoy along the way.

Ages: 4-6

Fees: \$96 (R) / \$115 (N)

Hours/Dates: Thu, 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

[Sept. 10-24](#)

[Oct. 15-29](#)

[Nov. 5-19](#)

[Dec. 3-17](#)



Junior Farmers

Your child will be immersed in farm life in this after-school program. Each class features seasonal themes, crafts, stories, and hands-on time with farm animals. Kids will learn about animal care while interacting with animals in a safe, supportive environment. Each session highlights a different set of animals. While some favorite animals and activities will repeat, there will be new experiences to enjoy along the way.

Ages: 7-9

Fees: \$78 (R) / \$94 (N)

Hours/Dates: Wed, 2-4 p.m.

[Sept. 9-23](#)

[Oct. 14-28](#)

[Nov. 4-25](#)

[Dec. 2-16](#)



One-Day Programs

Adult/Child

Public Farm Tours

Public Farm Tours offer families, caregivers, couples, and individuals the opportunity to experience a guided farm tour without booking a private group program. Participants register individually and join others to create a small shared tour group of approximately 20-25 guests. Tours include meeting farm animals, learning about life on the farm, and exploring the grounds with farm staff. For schools, preschools, camps, and other private group visits, please visit our Farm Tours for Schools and Groups webpage.

Ages: 2+

Fees: \$10 (R) / \$12 (N)

Hours/Dates: Tue, 1-2 p.m.

[Sept. 8](#)

[Oct. 6](#)

[Nov. 10](#)

[Dec. 8](#)



Private Trail Rides

Your child will get to ride one of our adorable ponies on a private ride through the barnyard or trails at Kelsey Creek Farm. Your child will learn the basics of horseback riding and experience the farm in a whole new way. One adult may choose to walk along, but no strollers allowed.

Ages: 2-5

Fees: \$20 (R) / \$24 (N)

Hours/Dates: Tues and Thu, 15 minute rides from 2-3 p.m.

Sept. 1-24

Fall Fun on the Farm

The trees are starting to change colors and drop their leaves! Do you ever wonder why this happens? Come learn about the life cycle of a tree, make a fun leaf-themed craft and visit some animal friends at Kelsey Creek Farm! This class is for one adult and one child.

Ages: 4-8

Fees: \$25 (R) / \$30 (N)

Hours/Dates: Sat, 1-2 p.m.

[Sept. 12](#)



Woolly Wonders

Join us for a class all about sheep. We'll visit the sheep, see some fiber demonstrations, and make your very own woolly sheep to take home. This is an adult/child class.

Ages: 4-8

Fees: \$25 (R) / \$30 (N)

Hours/Dates: Sat, 1-2 p.m.

[Sept. 26](#)



Vehicles on the Move

Start your engines for a fun-filled morning of trucks, counting, and hands-on discovery! Children will enjoy two engaging stories all about trucks and vehicles, practice counting to 20 with colorful trucks, explore a variety of truck toys, complete themed puzzles, and build early math and science skills through play-based activities. This interactive class encourages curiosity, problem-solving, and imaginative play for kids who love vehicles!

Ages: 4-8

Fees: \$25 (R) / \$30 (N)

Hours/Dates: Sun, 10-11 a.m.

[Sept. 27](#)

Kid Pioneers

Be a pioneer kid as you learn about pioneer chores, write on a real slate, play pioneer games, look at a pioneer cabin, and see what life was like for pioneer kids.

Ages: 4-8

Fees: \$25 (R) / \$30 (N)

Hours/Dates: Sun, 10-11 a.m.

[Oct. 11](#)

Pigs & Pumpkins

Pigs love pumpkins and we think you will too! Children get to make pumpkin treats, go on a scavenger hunt, do a craft, meet a sheep, and learn all about pigs. Each child will pick out a pumpkin to take home. Come dressed for the weather. Adult/child teams only. An adult/child team is one adult and one child.

Ages: 4-8

Fees: \$25 (R) / \$30 (N)

Hours/Dates: Sat, 1-2 p.m.

[Oct. 17](#)



Quilts and Tails

From the fabrics used to make them, to specific patterns with different meanings, quilts have long been used to tell stories! Come learn about different ways a quilt can tell a tale, and meet some furry friends who have tails! You will also get to make your very own quilt-patch craft! What story will you tell? This is an adult/child class. An adult/child team is one adult and one child.

Ages: 4-8

Fees: \$25 (R) / \$30 (N)

Hours/Dates: Sat, 1-2 p.m.

[Nov. 7](#)

Bunny Buddies

Does your child love bunnies? In this program, you and your child will pet our bunnies, feed them some yummy treats, and do a bunny-themed craft. Adult/child teams only. A team is one child and one adult.

Ages: 4-8

Fees: \$25 (R) / \$30 (N)

Hours/Date: Sat, 1-2 p.m.

[Nov. 14](#)

Grateful for Goats

There's a lot to be thankful for at Kelsey Creek Farm! Children will take our goats on a walk, give treats to the animals for a job well done, and then come inside for a craft and a treat of their own. Come dressed for the weather. Adult/child teams only. An adult/child team is one adult and one child.

Ages: 4-8

Fees: \$25 (R) / \$30 (N)

Hours/Dates: Sat, 1-2 p.m.

[Nov. 21](#)



Tractor Tales

Bring your tractor-loving child to this fun tractor experience! Your child will get to ride toy tractors, sit in the seat of our real tractor for a photo, and watch the real tractor in action. We will do a tractor-themed craft and learn all about what tractors do on farms. Adult/child teams only. A team is one child and one adult.

Ages: 4-8

Fees: \$25 (R) / \$30 (N)

Hours/Dates: Sat, 1-2 p.m.

[Dec. 19](#)



Teens & Adults

Intro to Wet Felting : Mittens

Learn how to create flat felt pieces in this 90 minute class. Take home pattern pieces to turn your felt into wearable works of art. We will explore the use of different wool types to create different textures in your piece. No experience needed, all materials are included.

Ages: 14+

Fees: \$40 (R) / \$48 (N)

Hours/Dates: Sat, 1-2:30 p.m.

[Sept. 19](#)

Intro to Needle Felting

Have you ever wanted to try fiber artistry? Come and learn the basics of needle felting to create a seasonal, 5"x7" wool painting in this class. We will explore color blending along with different types of wool to generate different textures in your design. No experience needed, all materials are included.

Ages: 14+

Fees: \$40 (R) / \$48 (N)

Hours/Dates: Sat, 1-2:30 p.m.

[Oct. 31](#)

Intermediate Wet Felting: Handbag

Take your wet felting skills to the next level while creating a one-of-a-kind wool handbag. Participants explore advanced layout techniques and use a resist to shape their design while building confidence and creativity through fiber arts. Previous felting experience is required.

Ages: 12+

Fees: \$40 (R) / \$48 (N)

Hours/Dates: Sat, 1-2:30 p.m.

[Dec. 12](#)

Drop-In Programs

Adult/Child

Farm Story Time

Come enjoy story time in a farm setting. Each story session will involve a different farm-related theme and include a visit with one of our resident farm animals. The stories will come alive for your children as they see the featured animal characters from the stories in real life. Pre-registration not required. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Space is limited. Doors close when the program begins or when capacity is reached.

Ages: Recommended for ages 1-5

Fees: FREE

Hours/Dates: Wed, 10-10:30 a.m.

Sept. 16

Oct. 14

Nov. 4

Dec. 9



Drop-In Caretaker Talks

Drop in for engaging conversations with Kelsey Creek Farm staff and volunteers. Similar to zookeeper talks at the zoo, these engaging mini-programs give guests the opportunity to learn more about the farm's animals, daily care routines, enrichment activities, and unique animal personalities. Topics may include feeding time, grooming, animal behaviors, farming practices, and behind-the-scenes care. Talks are designed for all ages and are free. No registration required, simply drop by and join the conversation.

Ages: All ages welcome

Fees: FREE

Hours/Dates: Thu, 10-10:30 a.m.

Sept. 10-Dec. 17

Drop-In Play

Come enjoy unstructured farm fun at Drop-In Play at Kelsey Creek Farm! Children and caregivers are invited to explore a variety of toys, games, and hands-on play activities set up throughout the program space. This relaxed, self-guided program encourages imaginative play, social interaction, and creative exploration in a welcoming farm environment. Stop by to play, connect, and enjoy a fun morning at the farm at your own pace.

Ages: 2-5

Fees: FREE

Hours/Dates: Mon, 10-11:30 a.m

[Sept. 14](#)

[Oct. 12](#)

[Nov. 9](#)

[Dec. 14](#)



Fall into Fun: Open House

Join us for an open house at Kelsey Creek Farm. Learn about Kelsey Creek Farm's programs, volunteer opportunities, camps, and special events while making a farm-themed craft and participating in free-play time.

Ages: All ages welcome

Fees: FREE

Hours/Dates: Wed, 10 a.m.-noon

Sept. 9

Volunteer Opportunities

Farm Fair Special Event Volunteers

Be part of one of Bellevue's longest-running community traditions. Volunteers assist with event setup, children's activity booths and event operations while gaining experience in customer service, teamwork, and working with children. Community service hours are available.

Ages: 15+

Fees: FREE

Hours/Dates: Sat, 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m.

[Oct. 3](#)



Farm Fair Clean Up Volunteers

Help us wrap up the annual Farm Fair event at Kelsey Creek Farm. Volunteers are needed to assist with breaking down the event activities, ensuring our farm is ready for the next day. This is a great opportunity to earn community service hours, gain hands-on experience in event operations, build team-work skills, and be part of one of Bellevue's longest running events.

Ages: 15+

Fees: FREE

Hours/Dates: Sat, 3-5 p.m.

[Oct. 3](#)

Trick or Treat Special Event Volunteers

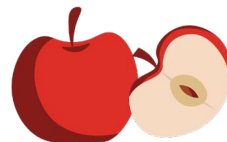
Help create a memorable Halloween experience for local families. Volunteers assist with event setup, activity booths, candy distribution and other event tasks while building teamwork skills and gaining experience working with children. Community service hours are available.

Ages: 15+

Fees: FREE

Hours/Dates: Sat, noon-3:30 p.m.

[Oct. 24](#)



Barn Lighting Special Event Volunteers

Help bring holiday magic to life. Volunteers assist with event setup, children's activity booths, holiday light displays and other event tasks while gaining experience in event operations, teamwork, and working with children. Community service hours are available.

Ages: 15+

Fees: FREE

Hours/Dates: Sat, 4-7 p.m

[Dec. 5](#)



Adult Farm Volunteers

Assist Kelsey Creek Farm staff in providing daily care to our farm animals. Help staff bring the animals out to pasture, clean their living quarters, and prepare meals for the animals each day. Volunteers will learn about caring for livestock and about Bellevue's agricultural history while giving back to their community.

Ages: 18+

Fees: FREE

Hours/Dates: Tue, 8:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m.

[Sept. 8-Oct. 27](#)

[Nov. 3-Dec. 15](#)

Wed, 8:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m.

[Sept. 9-Oct. 28](#)

[Nov. 4-Dec. 16](#)

After School Teen Farm Volunteers

Assist Kelsey Creek Farm staff in providing daily care to our farm animals. Help prepare meals for the animals, clean their living quarters, assist with other farm chores, and help bring the animals back into the barn each day. Teens will learn responsible animal care, job skills, and independence while earning service hours for school.

Ages: 12-18

Fees: \$15 (R) / \$18 (N)

Hours/Dates: Wed, 2-4:15 p.m.

[Sept. 9-23](#)

[Oct. 14-28](#)

[Nov. 4-25](#)

[Dec. 2-16](#)





Saturday Morning Teen Farm Volunteers

Join the team at Kelsey Creek Farm and get hands-on experience caring for farm animals! Help bring the animals out to pasture for the day, prepare meals for the animals, clean their living spaces, and assist with other farm chores. Teens will learn responsible animal care, job skills, and independence while earning service hours for school.

Ages: 15-18

Fees: \$15 (R) / \$18 (N)

Hours/Dates: Sat, 8:30 a.m.-noon

[Sept. 12-26](#)

[Oct. 17-31](#)

[Nov. 7-21](#)

[Dec. 5-19](#)

Events

Farm Fair

Celebrate fall at Kelsey Creek Farm's annual family-friendly festival. Enjoy tractor-pulled wagon rides, an off-the-vine pumpkin patch, pumpkin decorating, farm animal viewing and interactions, children's activities, food trucks, and more. Free shuttle service is available from Wilburton Park & Ride and Bannerwood Sports Park.

Please note: Pets are not allowed on shuttle buses or in barnyard areas. Admission is free. Food and activity fees vary.

Ages: All ages welcome

Fees: Admission is free, some activities have fees.

Hours/Dates: Sat, 11 a.m.-4 p.m.

Oct. 3



Trick or Treat

Get ready for a festive Halloween adventure at the farm! Dress up in your favorite costume and join us for a fun-filled mini event perfect for young children and their grown-ups. Go trick-or-treating alongside our farm animals and see the adorable costumes they're wearing!

Kids will also enjoy decorating their own trick-or-treat bag, making Halloween-themed crafts, and trying their hand at pumpkin bowling. This is an adult/child activity, and the fun takes place both indoors and outdoors—so be sure to dress for the weather!

Ages: 2-10

Fees: \$30 (R) / \$36 (N)

Hours/Dates: Sat, 1-3 p.m.

[Oct. 24](#)

Barn Lighting

Join Kelsey Creek Farm staff in turning on the barn lights for the holiday season. This event begins with a count down to turning on the lights on the barns and singing carols. With the lighted barns and decorations providing a festive background, the event's activities include crafts, hot cocoa, taking photos with the farm animals, visiting the decorated log cabin, and a special once-per-year opportunity to go inside the barn to watch the animals eat dinner. Admission is free, some activities may have fees.

Ages: All ages welcome

Fees: Admission is free, some activities have fees.

Hours/Dates: Sat, 5-6:30 p.m.

Dec. 5

Guided Farm Tours

Experience Kelsey Creek Farm with a tour designed specifically for groups. Choose from various year-round and seasonal themes. Guided farm tours are available weekdays and are approximately 45 minutes in length. Each tour includes time with a variety of farm animals and a group activity led by a member of our farm staff. Animals included in tour and group activities vary based on tour themes. Please note animals available for interaction during the guided tour may change without notice based on individual animals' health and well-being.

Ages: most tours appropriate for children ages 2+ (see below for exceptions). Tour content is adjusted to accommodate the age of the audience.

Kids on the Farm Group Tour

Available year-round

Explore our historic dairy farm with hands-on fun as you meet our farm animals. Learn interesting animal facts and local history as you travel back in time to when Bellevue was mostly farmland and forest. Go into the animal barn to see where the animals sleep at night and work on barn "chores" with child-sized pails and rakes.



Fuzzy Farm Friends Group Tour

Available year-round

Have you ever wondered where yarn and wool sweaters come from? How does a sheep give us a pair of warm wool socks? Meet the Kelsey Creek Farm sheep and practice the skill of carding wool all while learning about sheep and fiber processing. Children will create a fuzzy sheep craft to take home.

Pioneers on the Farm Group Tour

Available year-round (recommended for ages 4+)

Imagine life in Bellevue in the 1880s. Children spend time looking around the Fraser cabin, built in 1888, and learning about what life was like for the pioneers when they arrived in the Bellevue area. Practice pioneer living history skills and go on a farm walk to learn how some of our farm animals would have been used by the pioneers.

Springtime in the Barnyard Group Tour

Available mid-May-mid-June only

Welcome springtime in the barnyard with a hands-on tour among our favorite animals. Learn about their care, then get dirty in the garden planting and watering seeds.

Fall on the Farm Group Tour

Available October only

Experience harvest season on the farm! Visit with some of our friendly farm animals and watch them eat a pumpkin treat. Then finish up by enjoying a story in our indoor off-the-vine pumpkin patch. Pumpkins are available for purchase for an additional fee.



Birthday Parties

Kelsey Creek Farm offers a variety of party packages to make your child's day special. All party packages are approximately two hours long. Each party begins with a guided tour and group activity led by a member of our farm staff. Activities and crafts vary based on party themes. The guided activity time is followed by a one-hour room rental for cake and presents. Please note: animals available for interaction may change without notice based on individual animals' health and well-being.

Room locations may vary, but all party locations are indoor and include:

- ◆ 3 preschool-height tables (6 feet long by 2.5 feet wide) with children's chairs
- ◆ A refrigerator/freezer, microwave
- ◆ Kitchen sink and trash cans
- ◆ A restroom with hand-washing soap and paper towels

Maximum capacity for all parties is 30 people (number includes adults and children) and has been set to respect facility codes, the safety and well-being of the animals, and to ensure guest enjoyment.

Farm Birthday Party

Celebrate your child's birthday with a visit to our historic farm. Make memories meeting farm animal friends. Birthday party package includes an approximately 45-minute farm tour and farm-themed craft, followed by one hour of room rental.

Ages: 2-11

Fees: \$375 (R) \$450 (N)

Bunny Birthday Party

Celebrate your child's birthday by visiting the farm and meeting our friendly bunny. Enjoy a farm tour, a bunny craft, and extra time visiting the bunnies. Birthday party package includes approximately 45-minute farm tour and bunny themed craft, followed by one hour of room rental.

Ages: 2-11

Fees: \$375 (R) \$450 (N)

Pony Birthday Party

Celebrate your child's birthday by visiting the farm and meeting one of our ponies. Enjoy a farm tour, pony craft, and special time with the birthday pony. Birthday party package includes an approximately 45-minute farm tour and pony-themed craft, followed by one hour of room rental. Please note: this party does NOT include a pony ride.

Ages: 4-11

Fees: \$375 (R) \$450 (N)

Rentals

For more rental information including pricing and room specs, visit BellevueWA.gov/kelsey.

Outdoor Rentals

Kelsey Creek Farm Picnic Shelter

Rent Kelsey Creek Farm's Picnic Shelter for your next event! This covered picnic shelter has a capacity of 75 people and includes 6 picnic tables and 2 charcoal grills. To reserve visit our online catalog at register.bellevuewa.gov. Questions?

Email kelseycreekfarm@bellevuewa.gov.



Indoor Rentals

Looking for space to host a party, class, or meeting? Kelsey Creek Farm features several indoor rental spaces including a farm house with a 760 square-foot community room and kitchen space as well as a 900 square-foot room in the historic 1943 barn. The unique farm setting makes these spaces perfect for memorable events.

Both rental spaces can be reserved seven days a week, and these spaces easily accommodate groups large or small with rooms for groups up to 30 people. To reserve, send an email with requested dates and times to kelseycreekfarm@bellevuewa.gov.



Kelsey Creek Farm Room (Education Barn)



Kelsey Creek Farm House

Scholarships

Bellevue Parks & Community Services strives to make program opportunities available to all interested individuals who live in Bellevue, regardless of income. We provide financial assistance to those who might not otherwise be able to participate. Scholarships may be granted for the entire class fee or may provide a percentage discount, depending on individual circumstances.

Visit BellevueWA.gov/city-government/departments/parks/programs/scholarships for information and application.





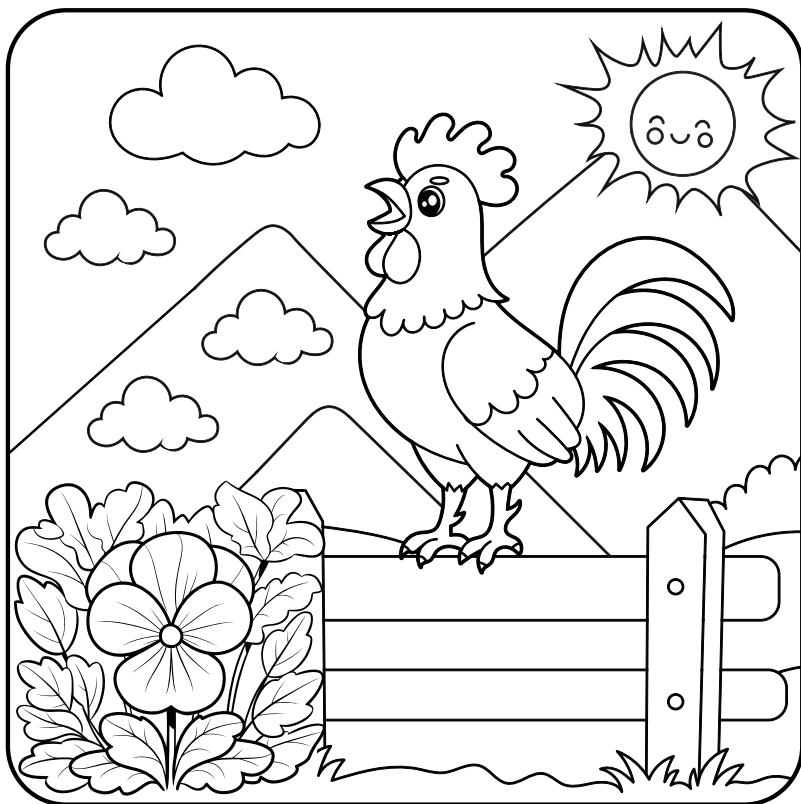
FARM HISTORY

The farm's history began in 1921, when the Duey Family rented 190 acres and began delivering cream and butter stamped with the name Twin Valley Dairy. In August of 1933 the original barn burned. Mr. Duey, a skilled carpenter, along with some hired hands, rebuilt the barn in two weeks. Today, this barn is the smaller of the two barns and is called the Animal Barn. Mr. Duey also built the Red Barn, originally used as a milk house.

The second dairy barn was built in 1943-44 by Mr. Michaels, the new owner, (this is the north barn now known as the Education Barn) and the dairy herd was increased in size. After the end of WWII, he sold the farmstead to Ray and Nettie Fisher. The Fishers phased out the dairy operation and began raising Hereford beef cattle. They built the current farmhouse in 1954 and moved to live on the property.

In 1968 neighbors to the farm began a movement to petition the Bellevue City Council to purchase the property and secure it as a public park. The neighbors' petition succeeded, and the city negotiated with the Fisher family to purchase the 80 acres, including the farmhouse, barns and outbuildings. The Fishers sold their farm property to the City at a price much reduced from what they knew that they could get from developers. They did so because they believed in preserving the beauty and legacy of the agricultural buildings and the land.

In 1972 the oldest barn was modified to house an assortment of farm animals for public viewing. The other, larger barn, commonly referred to as the Education Barn, was remodeled inside and used to accommodate a variety of community programs, including children's day camps, art classes, and farm-themed classes, to name just a few.



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Scholarships available
for many programs.

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