


DC Farm to School Approved Field Trip Rubric

Contact Information	
	Farm Name
	Contact Name
	Title/Position
	Email
	Phone

Operational Criteria	Scoring Criteria	Score	Recommendations/Notes
Cancellation policy available with refund	0 = No 1 = Yes		
First aid kit onsite	0 = No 1 = Yes		
"What to bring" list provided to teachers in advance of trip	0 = No 1 = Yes		
Permission slips provided to teachers prior to field trip	0 = No 1 = Yes		
Advertising sheet and/or webpage available for teachers about field trip program	0 = No 2 = Yes		
Educational Criteria	Scoring Criteria	Score	Recommendations/Notes
Farm rules and expectations are clearly stated at the start of the tour	0 = No rules provided at the start of the trip 1 = rules are told to students verbally at the start of the trip 2 = rules are clearly displayed on site and verbally explained to students		

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Students are actively engaged in hands-on learning (ie. Harvesting, planting, tasting, smelling, animal tending)	<p>0 = no hands-on engagement</p> <p>1 = 1 type of engagement</p> <p>2 = 2 types of engagement</p> <p>3 = 3 types of engagement</p> <p>4 = 4 types of engagement</p> <p>5 = 5 types of engagement</p>		
Site offers a variety of plant species	<p>0 = no plants present</p> <p>1 = 1-10 varieties of plant species available</p> <p>2 = 11-21 varieties of plant species available</p> <p>3 = over 21 varieties of plant species available</p>		
Students are exposed to a variety of animal species *Bees & Worms count!	<p>0 = No animals introduced</p> <p>1 = 1 species introduced</p> <p>2 = 2 species introduced</p> <p>3 = 3 or more species introduced</p>		
Teachers are provided with lessons to do with the students before and after the field trip	<p>0 = No lessons distributed to teachers</p> <p>1 = only pre or post visit lessons distributed</p> <p>2 = both pre and post lessons distributed</p>		
Students are broken into small groups to ensure active engagement in all activities	<p>0 = no students are actively engaged</p> <p>1 = 25% of students are actively engaged</p> <p>2 = 50% of students are actively engaged</p> <p>3 = 75% of students are actively engaged</p> <p>4 = 100% of students are actively engaged</p>		
Field trips are rooted in DC educational standards	<p>0 = No</p> <p>1= Yes, but standards are not provided for teachers</p> <p>3 = Yes, standards are provided for teachers prior to trip</p>		
The connection between the food we consume and the food that is growing on site is verbally made for students	<p>0 = No</p> <p>2 = Yes</p>		

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TOTAL SCORE	0	
<i>A score of 24 or above (80%) is considered passing for your site to receive a DC Farm to School "Stamp of Approval"</i>	/30	

Additional Information *These questions do not affect your score.*

Please answer the following questions to the best of your ability.

Field trip season (ex: April-November)	
Days/times your site is open for field trips	
Length of field trip (hrs)	
Approximate travel time from downtown DC	
Student:Chaperone ratio requested	
What is the protocol for inclement weather?	
What is the cost of a field trip?	
Can schools opt to bring their own lunch?	
What is the field trip dress code?	
Is your site wheelchair accessible?	
Is there a bathroom on site?	
Is this a working farm, teaching farm, or both?	
Do you have liability insurance?	
Grade Levels welcome on field trips	