

Parent Information

North Carolina A&T State University Farm Field Trip

What is Discover Agriculture

North Carolina Agricultural & Technical State University Farm presents an Agricultural Farm Tour for elementary school students. As an outdoor classroom, the farm is used to teach students about agriculture. Activities are hands on, and age appropriate for each grade. We invite students to take advantage of this innovative and exciting learning opportunity.

About the Farm

The University's farm complex consists of 568 acres of clear and wooded land, divided into areas. Those divisions are Animal Systems, Natural Resources, Environmental Systems, and Farm Mechanization and Extension Demonstration. Each area has numerous projects and activities related to the School of Agriculture and Environmental Sciences' mission of instruction, research, extension. Thus, the N.C. A&T State University Farm is a working farm complex, stocked with animals, a dairy, poultry facilities, tractors and other heavy equipment, and other farm technology.

Therefore, to minimize any risk of injury to your child, please adhere to the following rules during your visit with us. Upon arrival, our staff will greet students and a tour guide will be assigned to each class to help facilitate the tour. Although the guides are there to assist students, please help them out by reviewing the following guidelines with your child.

Student Guidelines

- Students will be divided into groups of 20-25 for kindergarten and 1st grade; and 25-30 for upper grades. School must maintain a 1-10 adult/child ratio, to achieve a quality educational experience.
- Teachers must keep students together and under their supervision at all times.
- No horseplay, running, throwing, yelling or screaming at any time. No unauthorized touching.
- Do not climb on fences, gates, pens or farm equipment.
- Dress casually. Do not wear open-toe shoes or sandals.
- Do not bring glass bottles or objects onto the complex. No littering.
- Please remain quiet and listen to speaker(s) at each Discovery Station during the tour.

Please complete the attached Consent, Release and Waiver of Liability form for your child and return to your child's teacher so she can complete registration procedures.



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CONSENT, RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY

I am the parent/guardian of the minor child named below (the "participant") and am fully competent to sign this agreement. I understand that the participant's request to participate in the **Discover Agriculture Tour** ("tour") which is offered through the School of Agriculture and Environmental Sciences at NC A&T State University ("university") has been approved.

I understand that the tour involves various physical activities, including but not limited to (a) exposure to animals; (b) farm equipment; (c) plant vegetation; (d) walking; (e) outdoor elements; and that there is a risk of injury associated with such activities. I understand the nature of the tour and my child's participation therein; I have explained these things to the participant and his/her participation is both willing and voluntary. The participant is in good health, and has been examined by a physician who has approved his/her participation in the tour. In addition, the participant has adequate health insurance necessary to provide for and pay any medical costs that may arise as a result of injury to the participant.

In consideration of the participant taking the tour, the participant and I assume all risks of such participation, such risks including but not limited to, to (a) exposure to animals; (b) farm equipment; (c) plant vegetation; (d) walking; (e) outdoor elements. I further agree that neither the university nor its employees, officers, trustees or agents shall be liable for any claims, demands, actions, or causes of action arising out of or in any way connected with the participant's participation in the tour, specifically including, but not limited to, liabilities, claims, demands, actions or causes of action relating to bodily injury and illness (including death) and property damage suffered by the participant. Therefore, on behalf of myself, the participant, and the heirs and assignees of all the foregoing, I do hereby forever release and discharge the University, as well as its trustees, officers, employees, and agents, from all such liabilities, claims, demands, actions, or causes of action.

With the tour and its activities having been explained to me, and all of my questions answered to my complete satisfaction, I consent to the participant's participation in the tour and accept the facilities, premises, supervision and equipment used in connection therewith, and am fully aware of the activities and risks that may be involved. I execute this Consent, Release and Waiver of Liability for full, adequate and complete consideration, fully intending for the agreement to be binding on me, the participant, and the participant's family, estate, heirs, administrators, personal representatives, and assignees.

THIS IS A RELEASE OF LEGAL RIGHTS. READ CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING.

School: _____

Participant's Name: _____
(Please Print)

Participant Signature: _____
(If Age 18 or Older)

Date: _____

Name of Parent/Guardian: _____
(Please Print)

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____
(On behalf of both parents/guardians)

Date: _____