

Teacher Top Ten Tour Tips:

1. In your permission slip to the parents, please refer parents to our website to review “**Parent Tour Tips**”.
2. Bring appropriate **alternative snacks** for children with allergies to apples.
3. Bring **hand sanitizer** and use before snack time.
4. Bring **tissues** for those colder days, “**After Bite**” for those warmer days.
5. This will be a great time to bring a **camera** to capture your students enjoying the outdoors. If you would like a group photo, please inform your tour guide so she can offer a few options on location.
6. Encourage children to use the **bathroom** before they board the bus. We have outhouses available which can be difficult for little ones.
7. It is a great help to our guides if you put a **name tag** on each student and teacher. It is so nice to use a child’s name during our interactive learning time. It also helps to identify which school your child belongs to. Your guide will have a name tag, but her puppet won’t. Some schools have access to coloured **overshirts**, which is a great way to identify which group a child belongs to. Sometimes, we have more than one group in our huge play area.
8. Please stress the importance of **appropriate clothing for the weather**. For rain, it’s better to dress children head to toe in waterproof attire, rather than using umbrella’s (which can poke) and ensures their bottoms will stay dry while sitting on the wet wagon and toys. Please note, our program will still run in rain (we cancel if thunder). Consider gloves instead of mittens so children can hold the railings better and play easier. They are outside for 1 ½ hours and it’s usually a bit windier on the open farm, so dress warmer.
9. Allow enough time to ensure you are ready to **start the tour at the time you have booked for**. If you arrive late, we will try to accommodate additional time at the end of your tour to do the activity missed at the beginning, however, during our busy season, this is not always possible. Also, allow **time after the tour** for parents to drop into our market/bakery. After smelling those incredible smells for 1 ½ hours, many parents would like time to pick up a few things.
10. If you are bringing **more than 35 children at one time**, your group will be divided. If you don’t know how many tour guides you will be assigned, please check with our tour manager. You will want to divide your classes in advance of your arrival.