

Dear Parent:

Your child's class will be visiting Volkening Heritage Farm to experience life on a German-American farm in the 1880's. The students will perform farm tasks similar to those that a child living in Schaumburg during that time would have done. They will be working at various locations around the farm including the farmhouse kitchen, chicken coop, dairy barn, and other areas.

This means that, while they have a lot of fun learning history, they may get dirty and cold. **You can help us make this a good experience for them by dressing them in clothes that can get dirty and will keep them warm and dry. Long pants and enclosed shoes are a must on the farm and boots are a good idea.** Not all the buildings are heated so a sweater or jacket should be worn.

When your child gets home you might ask about the farm experience. Find out how animals help the farmer, what the barn smells like, or even which chore your child enjoyed the most.

We appreciate your assistance making this a fun day for all.

Sincerely,

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