

Fernbrook Farms

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Exploring Fernbrook: a 5-week Homeschool Enrichment Series

Dear Parents,

Many of you have expressed interest in a winter homeschool program that would fill the void between our Fall and Winter semesters. To keep the kids having fun and learning on the farm, this year we're offering a 5-week homeschool enrichment series. This series theme, ***Exploring Fernbrook***, will focus on local agriculture, ecology and nutrition by exploring Fernbrook's community supported agriculture, bed and breakfast and neighboring forests. These classes will introduce new ideas and expand on the concepts your children have learned in our traditional semesters. The semester cost is **\$50** and classes will be held on **Tuesdays 1:30-3:30** for **ages 6 & 7** and **Thursdays 9:30-10:30** for **ages 8-10**. We're looking forward to this new expansion of our homeschool program and hope to see you there!

Sincerely,
Tara & Eric

Class Dates and Topics:

November 11 & 13: *Human Impact on the Farm*

During this class a walking tour will take us through the buildings, fields and forests of Fernbrook to learn about the farm's history, how the land has been shaped by human impact, and the contributions it has made to local agriculture.

November 18 & 20: *Organic Farming*

We'll discover what it takes to be a farmer by learning about the energy that goes into food production from planting to harvesting. We'll explore Fernbrook's Community Supported Agriculture and learn what it means to be "organic" and how organic farming differs from commercial agriculture.

December 2 & 4: *Nursery Exploration*

During this class we'll learn about nursery production by following Fernbrook's shrubs, trees and perennials from the greenhouse to the fields. Students will plant and observe the growth of their own seeds through the course of the semester.

December 9 & 11: *Health and Nutrition at the Bed & Breakfast*

This class will take us inside the Bed & Breakfast to learn about nutrition and meal planning. Students will learn how to prepare a healthy, well-balanced meal after harvesting farm-fresh produce at the CSA and cooking in the B & B kitchen.

December 16 & 18: *Wilderness Skills*

We'll traverse some of Fernbrook's 4-mile trail system to learn about safe wilderness traveling. During this class we'll learn how to use a map & compass, predict the weather by cloud types & animal behavior and build a survival shelter.

Space is limited to 10 students a class!
To register email eric@fernbrookfarms.com
Or call (609) 298-4028