GoFFA New England Tour June 22 – June 30, 2024

Professional Development Opportunity

The Munford FFA Chapter has organized a GoFFA Program in which we will be "Putting Culture in Agriculture". We want to increase the knowledge base of our teachers and students to what agriculture has to offer here in the United States. We will be taking a charter bus traveling to the highlights listed below:



<u>Assateague Wild Ponies-</u> The wild horses live in family groups called "bands" and graze on the salt marsh grasses. These horses are actually a registered breed known as Chincoteague Ponies and are as unique as they are impressive to watch with 60 new foals born a year. Approximately 150 wild ponies graze in various family groups along the scenic interior coastlines we can reach by boat here.



<u>Hershey's Chocolate World</u> - Follow cocoa beans on a delicious journey in this immersive & FREE chocolate making tour. See, feel, hear and smell the transformation of cocoa beans to HERSHEY'S famous chocolate on this fun tour. Then, enjoy a FREE Hershey's product sample on us!



<u>Amish Farmland Tour - Since 1959</u>, the cornerstone of "The Amish Experience" has been the Amish Farmlands Tour, taking you deep into the heart of the oldest Amish community in the world where you'll marvel at some of the most beautiful farmland you'll ever set eyes upon. These are the same fertile fields that attracted and have kept our Amish neighbors here for over 250 years.



<u>Independence Hall & The Liberty Bell Center -</u> The State House bell, now known as the Liberty Bell, rang in the tower of the Pennsylvania State House. Today, we call that building <u>Independence Hall</u>. Speaker of the Pennsylvania Assembly Isaac Norris first ordered a bell for the bell tower in 1751 from the Whitechapel Foundry in London. That bell cracked on the first test ring. It's this bell that would ring to call lawmakers to their meetings and the townspeople together to hear the reading of the news.



<u>Haines Berry Farm -</u> We are a family owned and operated berry farm of four generations and plan to ensure the opportunity to our next generation. We strive to make efficient use of inputs, maintain excellent land stewardship practices and produce high quality berries for our customers. We value rural life and are committed to keeping our rural life vital.



<u>Wrights Dairy Farm -</u> Welcome to Wright's Dairy Farm & Bakery where producing quality dairy and bakery products is our family tradition. We are a real working dairy farm that has been selling fresh milk direct to the public since 1914 to include the farm, bottling, bakery and store.



<u>Lucky Catch Cruises -</u> Maine Lobstering Tours. Come join us for an unforgettable excursion on the waters of Casco Bay while we guide you through the daily routines of a Maine Lobsterman. Participate in the excitement of hauling up the traps or sit back and relax as we cruise near picturesque lighthouses, historic civil war forts and the "Seal Rocks". Each of our lobster tours lasts for 80-90 minutes and passenger numbers are limited to ensure that everyone gets an up-close and personal Maine lobstering experience.



<u>Baird Farm -</u> The 560-acre farm is located in Chittenden, Vermont and has been in the Baird family for four generations. The milking cows were sold in 1996 and, since that time, maple syrup has been the primary crop on the farm. They have greatly expanded the maple retail market and agritourism on the farm.



<u>Niagara Falls</u> - With awe-inspiring scenery year-round, thrilling attractions, interactive exhibits, miles of hiking trails, and delectable dining options in a family-friendly environment, Niagara Falls State Park is an adventure-packed experience! No passport is needed to experience an unforgettable and breathtaking Niagara Falls vacation.



North Conway Moose Safari – New Hampshire's White Mountains allows visitors to seek, see, and often sit and view wild New Hampshire moose after dark because the state allows the use of flood lights and spotlights. It's attempted to have this adventure be enjoyable for moose seekers of all ages. Expected success is about 94% through August. It's a majestic sight to see a mature, big bull moose with a set of fully grown antlers.

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Please feel free to look over the itinerary on the Munford FFA Chapter Website at http://munfordffa.ffanow.org if you have any questions please feel free to call me. This will be the eleventh trip we have organized for group travel, and we certainly want it to be a successful professional development opportunity for our teachers as well as a wonderful educational opportunity for our students.

Cost of the Educational Opportunity...Is determined by the number of people that enroll.

Enrollment fee is \$600 per person. Enrollment period ends November 1, 2023. Enrollment fees are not on top of the cost of the trip; it is included in the overall cost.

Monthly Payments will be:
December 1, 2023
January 1, 2024
February 1, 2024
March 1, 2024
April 1, 2024
May 1, 2024

Final Payment is due June 1, 2024

(30 Participant's) Student Package - \$2000 per student in a four person room

Adult Package - \$2385 per teacher/adult in a two person room

(50 Participant's) Student Package - \$1685 per student in a four person room

Adult Package - \$2070 per teacher/adult in a two person room

Includes bus transportation, hotels, tickets to all events & tours, breakfast and one other meal per day.

Please make checks payable to: Munford FFA Alumni

1080 McLaughlin Drive Munford, TN 38058

<u>Payment Plans:</u> Student's enrollment fees as well as monthly payments can be made online using a debit or credit card at http://munfordffa.ffanow.org. Once the enrollment period ends we will determine package cost based on the number enrolled. The prices listed are examples and the maximum you should expect to pay for the trip. Any questions regarding payment options can be directed to Mrs. Ann Johnson at 901-482-5951 or Mrs. Vicki Schulz at 901-232-8504

Payment Plans for 30 people:

Student Total: \$2000 Adult Total: \$2,385

Enrollment Fee: \$600 Enrollment Fee: \$600

Monthly Payments: \$200/month Monthly Payments: \$255/month

Payment Plans for 50 people:

Student Total:\$1,685Adult Total:\$2,070Enrollment Fee:\$600Enrollment Fee:\$600Monthly Payments:\$155/monthMonthly Payments:\$210/month

<u>Trip Cancellation Policy:</u> In the event we do not have 30 participants enroll in the trip, all money will be completely refunded to those enrolled.

<u>Individual Cancellation Policy:</u> Individuals that withdraw from the trip will NOT receive a full refund. Once the trip makes (having 30 participants enrolled), the bus will be secured and that money is already spent. <u>Therefore; \$600 is non-refundable.</u>

GoFFA Enrollment Deadline November 1, 2023