Read, Learn, Grow

Summer Passes will be available on May 18 at 9am!

This pass includes early access to all six themed sessions (for topics that run for two consecutive weeks, you choose which day best fits your schedule). After purchasing the pass, you will be able to pick your dates and times for the entire summer. That means no more competition for timeslots before each individual session!

How it works:

The \$40 pass admits one child and an accompanying adult. Additional child passes can be added for \$30, and additional adults can be added for \$6.

*You only need multiple adult passes if multiple adults are attending at the same time. The adult pass is interchangeable – i.e. Mom brings kids 1st week, Grandma brings kids 2nd week, etc.

After completing your payment, you will receive an email that includes a link to our Ticket Tailor site and a passcode to open access to signups. You can then sign up for SIX sessions, choosing from the dates/times available.

NOTE: Each time slot will be limited to 40 people, so the times available will still be filled on a first-come, first-served basis.

What is Read, Learn, Grow?

Read, Learn, Grow is an interactive story time on the farm. Each session is approximately 45 minutes and includes a story, a tractor ride to interact with Farmer Steve to pick produce when applicable, and an activity all based on a weekly theme.

What are the dates & time for the program? The program will be offered every Wednesday from 9:00 AM to 11:30 AM with a new group starting every 15 minutes. Groups are limited to 40 people. Topics are subject to change based on weather and produce availability, but they are planned as follows:

- June 14 Bees
- June 21 Bees
- June 28 Pigs
- July 5 Pigs
- July 12 Blueberries
- July 19 Corn
- July 26 Corn
- August 2 Peaches
- August 9 Apples
- August 16 Peaches

How old should my child be to participate in Read, Learn, Grow?

The program was designed with ages 2-5 in mind, although all are welcome.

Once I select a time, could I change it later in the summer?

Yes, based on availability.

We will be utilizing a new site, Ticket Tailor, to manage our reservations. If you need to change your times/dates you can view the availability using the link & code emailed to you when you purchased the pass, however you will need to email applecasteevents@gmail.com to change the reservation.

Do I need to buy a pass for my baby?

You are required to purchase a pass for all children who will be participating in the activities. If your infant will be on your lap for the tractor ride and in your arms (or a carrier) for the orchard portion, you do not need to purchase a spot for her. However, if you plan to let your child pick produce and participate in the activities, she does need to be registered.

What happens in the event of rain or inclement weather?

Passes for Read, Learn, Grow are non-refundable. We make every effort to hold each event, even if we pause certain groups for inclement weather. If the event of severe or consistent inclement weather, we will cancel the event by emailing and posting on Facebook by 8am. If one session of a topic is rained out, you can change your reservation to the following week.

Refunds will be made on a case-by-case basis, you can email applecastleevents@gmail.com for assistance.

Is a season pass required to participate in the Read, Learn, Grow program?

Nope! You are welcome to sign up for individual sessions, based on availability, as in past years. We will open registration to the general public on the Thursday before each session. Purchasing a pass simply allows you to pre-register for all events in advance of the general public.

I still have a question. Whom should I contact?

You can email our events director, Ashley Johnston, at applecastleevents@gmail.com. She will respond with an email or phone call within 24 hours.