



Reservation #	
Name	
Grade/Classes	
Date /Time	

Pioneer Tykes is an enriched learning experience in the Redbud Hill Homestead for first through seventh grade classes. The tour includes a 1/3-mile walk each way to and from the homestead and group interactions with authentically dressed guides and re-enactors demonstrating settler life skills. In preparation for your field trip to Jesse H. Jones Park & Nature Center, please review the following and the enclosed Field Activity Preparations booklet:

- A minimum ratio of one teacher or chaperone per ten children (1:10) is required.
- Tours can be reserved for 10 a.m. or 11 a.m. for up to four classes each. Due to time constraints, **promptness** is required; tardiness will result in an altered or shortened program.
- Plan to arrive 20 minutes before the reservation to allow time for your students to use the restroom (located next to the nature center), walk to the homestead, and arrive there by the scheduled tour time.
- When you arrive, park your buses in the bus parking spaces, and turn engines off.
- Please send an adult to the nature center to check in, and proceed down the homestead trail as a group to the homestead.
- The tour guide/s will meet your classes at the end of the trail in the homestead.
- Park staff and volunteers will conduct the program and tour. Teachers and chaperones are expected to **participate** in the program and be responsible for the **discipline** of the children.
- In consideration of other scheduled groups, we ask that your group return to the parking lot immediately following the completion of the tour.
- Children, teachers, and chaperones should dress for the outdoors: wear comfortable clothing, closed-toe shoes (sandals and flip-flops are not recommended), and be prepared for cold, hot, or inclement weather. Insect repellent is recommended year-round.
- Picnic facilities, drinking fountains, playground, and restrooms are located at the far west end of the park road. No food or drinks are sold at the park.
- A large covered pavilion with grills, which seats up to 80, is available by reservation only.
- The playground serves varying ages and abilities. Adult supervision is required at all times.
- **Please notify us immediately if you must cancel your reservation** at (281) 446-8588. Tours are conducted rain or shine. Rain dates for canceled field trips will be provided when possible, but cannot be guaranteed due to other bookings.
- Enclosed is a park map, and check our Web site at www.hcp4.net/jones for other park publications such as the *Redbud Hill Homestead Brochure*.

We look forward to your visit. If you have questions or concerns, please feel free to give us a call at (281) 446-8588.

Sincerely,

Darlene Conley Hostetler
Park Director