



Wakarusa Chamber of Commerce

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Attention Teachers and Service Groups:

You and your students are invited to attend The 42nd Annual Wakarusa Historical Society's **Education Days** in Wakarusa, Indiana. These educational tours are offered each year several weeks prior to our annual Maple Syrup Festival (April 15 & 16). 2011 tours will be available from **Tuesday, March 15 through Friday, March 18 from 9am – 2 pm.**

The tours are designed for second through fourth grade students, but **all grades are accepted.** **Please copy this letter and pass it on to other teachers in your building.**

Education Days Tours include the following **FREE** opportunities:

- **Experience** the Wakarusa Historical Museum. (Each building comes to life with curators re-enacting the *olden days*, taking the kids back in time in each of the buildings – Grandma's Haus, Fire Station, One Room School, Tool Shed, an Old Train Car and includes Civil War re-enactors also). See Website: (http://www.wakarusachamber.com/Festival_Site/Education_days.html)
- **Experience** the Working Maple Sugar Camp with demonstrations presented by two local Amish who produce syrup by trade. (Maple syrup will be available for purchase).
- **ENJOY FREE** Popcorn fresh from the kettle, popped downtown by the new community build playground you can also enjoy!
- **Stroll Thru** Historic Downtown Wakarusa where our 100 year old buildings maintain tin ceilings and wooden floors. See the Wall of Drawers at the Hardware Store!
- **Visit** the Wakarusa Dime Store, home of the Giant Jelly Beans and 350 nostalgic candies. (shop at own discretion)

Your school bus will be met by a step-on tour guide at the Wakarusa Town Cabin, located on Walnut Street next to the Town Park. You will then be directed to the Maple Syrup Camp and/or the Historical Museum Buildings. At the museum, groups of 10-15 start at one building, then rotate to the next building at the sound of the bell every 15 minutes. The children are invited to bring sack lunches and eat at the pavilion in the town park.

If your school is interested in attending, please complete the enclosed form and return it to the Wakarusa Chamber of Commerce. Scheduling is done on a first-come, first-serve basis! We have only five openings each day; so the sooner you return the enclosed information sheet, the better! For more information, please call the Chamber office at (574) 862-4344 between 8:00 A.M. and noon, Monday through Friday. The deadline for reservations is February 1, 2010.

Sincerely,

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YES! We would like to attend the 2011 Educational Day Tour
Tuesday, March 15 through Friday, March 18, 2011

School Name:

Contact Person:

Address:

City: State: Zip:

Telephone: Email:

Grade: Number of Students Attending: Adults:

INDICATE YOUR PREFERENCES BY DAY, ARRIVAL TIME & ACTIVITIES

Specify **Day** Choices: (1st – No Preference) (2nd) (3rd)

Specify **Arrival Time** Choices: (Available Times are 9:00, 9:30, 10:00, 10:30, 11:00)
(1st – No Preference) (2nd) (3rd)

Our group **MUST** be on the buses and ready to leave Wakarusa by

Please mark the activities in which your group would like to participate:

- Maple Syrup Camp** – FREE (Opportunity to Purchase Sweet Maple Syrup)
- Wakarusa Historical Museums** – FREE
- Popcorn & Tour Historic Downtown Wakarusa** – FREE
- Wakarusa Dime Store** (Opportunity to Purchase Jumbo Jelly Beans and/or Old Fashioned Candy)

Deadline February 1, 2011

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