

## Sample Letter to Schools

Dear <<School group coordinator>>,

Thank you for your interest in visiting <<our farm>>. We would be happy to have you tour our farm on <<date>>.

We would like you to know in advance the biosecurity measures we have implemented at our farm. These are practices we follow to keep our facility free of animal diseases and to prevent visitors from taking diseases home with them. It would be in everyone's best interest if you would go over these guidelines with your class well before your visit.

All visitors must wear clean footwear and outerwear. We will provide disposable plastic boot covers for you and the students to wear during your visit. No food is allowed except in the designated snack area. Students should keep their hands out of the mouths of animals on the farm. Some areas are off-limits to tour groups and your cooperation is appreciated in respecting these restrictions. You will be able to wash your hands before the snack is served and before leaving the farm. The disposable booties will be collected before you return to your vehicles or bus. Students will again have the opportunity and be encouraged to wash their hands before leaving.

Being prepared to follow these simple guidelines will make your visit more enjoyable and protect the health of our livestock and your students.

Highlights of the tour will include:

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We're looking forward to your visit!

Sincerely,