You Are Invited

History Fest of Mankato would like to send this special invitation to you and your school, home-school, or youth serving organization.

What is History Fest?

History Fest - Playfully Preserving History

Come join the fun! History Fest is held annually during the 2nd week of October at the McGowan Farm in Mankato, MN. This year's event is October 8th-11th.

Kids get hands-on learning experiences with periods in history.

Get a taste of what it was like in days gone by. You'll find a variety of entertainers and activities ranging from re-enactors of 17th century Scotland, Civil War era, the Old West and more. Activities include, launching a catapult, cider making, cannon shooting and so much more!

History Fest School Days

Wednesday Thursday and Friday

9am to 3pm

Saturday / Open to Public Day

10am to 4pm

The camps and exhibits will be open for you to view at your leisure. Our re-enactors will be happy to answer questions about the period of history they represent.

Students of all ages are welcome to come out and enjoy the festivities.

History Fest is also looking for volunteers. It is a great opportunity for students who want or need to fulfill any community service requirements. If interested, please visit the volunteer page on the Historyfest.com website.

We are only accepting registration and payment at the gate this year.

Cost for 4 years and up is the same for all days. \$6 per person

3 and under are free.

Chaperones and staff are free all three school days.

Saturday (open to public) \$6 each.

Tips for homeschoolers from a homeschooler!

We have beautiful park style shelters and seating but not enough for all patrons. Those facilities are available on a first come first served basis. We do have yards of lush meadow grass to kick back on.

Bring blankets and create a picnic right in the midst of the activity! We do not have refrigeration. Please provide your own coolers for perishables.

Thank you!

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Important Photo Release Information

(Please Read Carefully)

Photos will be taken of the children & groups actively enjoying living history as part of History Fest. Those photos or videos clips will be used for media promotion on our website as well as at civic events and company presentations. Images may also appear on TV, news, or print media.

If you do not wish to have your student(s) photographed, please request wrist bands to put on your student(s) at the time of check-in.

The colored wrist band (we provide) tells our photographers and other media members which individuals are "off limits".