

Bill's Berry Farm

Birthday Party Frequently Asked Questions

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1. How do I make a reservation?

Email us at info@billsberryfarm.com to request a date, time and location on the farm for your birthday party. We will answer you back as to whether your request date/time is available. When that is worked out you can print out the Birthday Party Rental contract we send you, complete it as to the agreed upon date/time we discussed, sign it, scan in and email it back to us or snail mail it to Bill's Berry Farm, 3674 N County Line Rd. Grandview, WA 98930 Then be sure to go to our Groups page at www.billsberryfarm.com and fill in the online form to pay your deposit via credit card.

2. When are Birthday Party rentals offered?

Our Berry Park venue is now available every Saturday from mid May when we open for strawberries until the end of October.

Our Fire Pit party area in our Fall Park is available during our Apple and Pumpkin Festival Saturdays in September and Friday and Saturdays in October.

3. What times are birthday parties scheduled?

Berry Park: two hour blocks starting at 10:00am., 12:30pm and 3pm(fall only)

Fall Park Fire Pits: two hour blocks starting at 10:30am, 1pm and 3:30pm

4. Where are the Birthday Party Locations on the farm?

We have two locations on the farm for parties and groups.

1) The Berry Park - this new private area has a permanent cover over concrete for table area and a private lawn for games. It is not far from our two playgrounds, the animal farm, the barnyard train, Fairy Tale Trail (fall only), and our donut stand and bbq (offered most Saturdays). It is ideal for groups that include younger children who are attracted to these activities.

2) The Fall Park - this area is barked and includes two tables and fire pit for your group. It is close to our FarmLAND and Corn Maze, Apple Slingshots, Squeeze-your-own apple cider, pumpkin patch and our 'Little Farmers' area for children age 4 and under. This location has a little something for all ages, but is especially great for parties that include older children, tweens and teens.

5. When is payment required?

\$100 deposit is collected via credit/debit card online at our website at the time of reservation. Balance is due upon arrival to the farm on the day of your event. Balance can be paid via cash or credit/debit card.

6. Is there an admission to the farm?

Yes! We do charge a general gate admission to the farm for anyone age 3 and over. \$7 for those ages 3 to 12 and \$9 for those ages 13 and up. Parties include admission wristbands for 2 adults and 10 children. You can add children if you desire to have more than ten at the time of your reservation. Farm admission includes free access to all farm activities at the farm.

To see a list of those activities please visit our Activities page at www.billsberryfarm.com

ADDITIONAL PARENTS: each child is allowed up to 2 adults to attend the party. We will give them a 'party pass' band that will be good for them to attend the party in the party area

for the duration of the party. If they wish to participate in farm activities or come early or stay after the party they will need to purchase a full admission wristband for \$9.

7. Is there a parking fee?

No! There is no longer parking fees charged at our farm.

8. How do we check in and pay the party balance?

If you have a Berry Park party you will check in and pay at the red Farm Store in the Berry Park.

If you have a Fall Park party you will check in and pay at the Concessions trailer in our Fall Park and get your fire pit assignment.

9. What kind of food is allowed?

All details on food are on the party contract we will email you.

10. What about a child with allergies?

A child with allergies is under the sole care of the parent/host. We bear no responsibility in regard to food or environmental allergies. There is dairy, wheat, peanuts, soy and gluten in some of our concession items.

11. Can we bring decorations?

Yes! There is 15 minutes allowed before your party for decorating your tables.

12. Are there restrooms?

Porta-potties and wash stations are available at both the Berry Park and Fall areas.

13. What clothing is appropriate for the farm?

Please wear comfortable, temperature appropriate clothing with practical shoes for walking on uneven ground and getting around the farm. Summer can be hot and sun hats and sunscreen may be needed. Late fall days can be quite cool at times, so jackets may be appropriate.

14. Who is responsible for cleaning up our area?

You are responsible to leave your area in the same orderly condition as you found it. We especially ask that you take care of ALL your own garbage by disposing of it in the trash cans available in each area and be out of your area at the party end time. That will give us 15 minutes to wash the tables and empty trash between groups. Please be considerate of those coming after you and leave things cleaner than you found them!

15. What if my gathering goes longer than I thought?

While the farm is open all day and you are welcome to enjoy it with your group until closing, we ask that you are out of your reserved area ON TIME. This consideration of those who have reserved it after you is greatly appreciated! If need be, you can move your group out into one of our general picnic areas to finish your gathering.

16. What if it rains?

Weather can be unpredictable. Our Berry Park party area has a permanent cover over the table area, and we provide canopies or umbrellas for our fire pit table areas as weather demands it. No cover will be put above the fire. Please be aware that if wind is severe we cannot use the canopies/umbrellas. If the weather is very severe you are given the option of rescheduling your party (if there is an open slot on the calendar) or a full refund.

17. What if we have to cancel our gathering?

Before you book your party please check your schedule and make sure that day is available. If you cancel two weeks in advance you will receive a full refund of the deposit. Any cancellation with less than two week's notice will forfeit their payment.

18. Are pets allowed at the farm?

Due to the Food Safety Modernization Act, no PETS are allowed at the farm. EXCEPTION: properly identified, trained and restrained service animals are allowed in the park areas only, not in the fields.

19. Where do we park and unload our supplies?

On a regular summer or September Saturday parking is not too crowded and you should easily be able to park in the parking lot near the gate and unload your items. On busy days during Cherry season and October Saturdays we have made the following provisions. In the small Berry Park lot we will reserve 10 party spaces for your group close to the gate. You may tell the attendant you have party there and he will direct you to those spaces. If you anticipate more than ten cars they may have to park in the Fall parking area and ride the hayride shuttle to the party.

For Fall Park Parties there is usually plenty of space in the large lot at that gate. We will not reserve parking in this lot. If you want to unload party items at the gate you may, then proceed to regular parking space during your stay.

20. Do you provide table covering?

Our tables are in good condition (sturdy new plastic) and therefore we do not provide table coverings, but you are welcome to bring your own. We do ask that you refrain from taping table coverings to our tables, but use tablecloth weights or clips instead.

21. Will there be any other groups meeting during our reserved time?

Only at the fire pits where we have 2 other pits for rent near by.

If we happened to miss your question, please email Julie at info@billsberryfarm.com