



4-H Education Center at Auer Farm

Student and Teacher Comments

"Eggs are warm when the hen lays them and cold later on."

"The chickens lay eggs. Then they go to the store and then you eat them."

"Pigs like showers."

"We touched and smelled things."

"We watched the sheep get sheared, touched the wool – soft!!!"

"We made greenhouses and took them home."



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Teachers Tell Us

"We have been coming here for 15+ years."

"Farming and Planting are two of our themes. Children learn about farm animals and products they give us. Teachers are organized and knowledgeable on the subjects." (K Smalley School

"Hands-on activities, especially planting. The children loved seeing the animals." (Gr. 3 Rawson)

"There is never a moment that we were just standing around. Timing is perfect for our three-year olds."

"New experiences with good information for follow-up back at school. Reinforces curriculum"

Making Maple Syrup

Syrup comes from trees. You need a drill to get the sap and you also need a bucket to let the sap drip into the bucket.

You need a hydrometer to measure the sugar level in the sap and you need a boiler to boil the sap to turn it into syrup.

First, we had water that tasted like strawberries, and then we tasted real maple syrup.

I like eating real maple syrup, not the fake stuff.

I like making and eating ice cream and covering it with real maple syrup!



Interdistrict Cooperative Program Diary Entries (five-trip program)

Trip 3 Today, our class went to the Auer Farm for the third time. It was our first time meeting the other 6th graders from a school in Hartford. Some of us, like me, were a little bit nervous to meet them. We had all just been prejudice. That wasn't very fair to them though, because they were actually very kind people. Everyone got along great. I had fun meeting them.

Trip 4 Today our class went to the farm again with the class from Hartford. We worked in groups of four. Did you know that 40 gallons of sap makes one little bottle of maple syrup? We really liked the owl pellet dissection.

Chickens and Eggs: The Inside Story



I really liked it when you taught me about how to tell a rooster from a hen.



For more quotes from students and teachers and information about programs and activities, call 860-242-7144 x 10, or email srobinson4hcenter@comcast.net. We welcome your visit to the 4-H Education Center at Auer Farm, 158 Auer Farm Road, Bloomfield, CT 06090.