



Self-led Tours - Fridays 10am-5pm
1010 S. Pearl Expy, Dallas, TX 75201

During open hours, plan ahead with the DFM, 214-664-9110 or email info@dallasfarmersmarket.org

We encourage student groups to visit the Dallas Farmers Market on Fridays 10am-3pm. We ask that large groups of over twenty (20) call ahead ahead, so that we can expect your group and discuss van and bus parking. We ask that there be one adult per 10 students when attending the Dallas Farmers Market. There is no charge, however we suggest students bring money to buy some food items from the vendors.

- 1. Prepare the students with the DFM History** – The Dallas Farmers Market has a rich history based in the agriculture economy of the state of Texas. Once a humble horse-and-wagon wholesale business, the Dallas Farmers Market has grown with the city and turned into a hub for farm-fresh vegetables, dairy and more. Today, it stands as a symbol of Dallas’ commitment to the health and nutrition of the people who call this city home. As Dallas began to flourish in the late 19th century, farmers began to sell their produce in locations around the city from their wagons. Soon enough, the intersection of South Pearl Expressway and Cadiz Street became the hub of a thriving wholesale business—produce, chickens, pigs, eggs and goats were all sold to the people of North Texas. But as the city grew, so did the demand for farm-fresh produce and meat. So, in 1939, the site of the Dallas Farmers Market was expanded and the first Shed was established. By 1941, the site was officially sanctioned as a municipally owned and operated market.
- 2. What to expect-** Each vendor at The Shed is a separate farm or business. **The farmers** will have a sign about what farm they are from and if you visit with them they can tell you where it is located and what they grow and what animals they raise. The **artisan food vendors** have made their own products. Talk with them about how they started their business, why they chose to make what they make (most are carrying on a family recipe), and make sure to buy some of the unique produces.
- 3. Arrival and Parking** –Large Buses and vans can enter off César Chavez onto Taylor St. on the north side of The Shed. **Call Courtesy Officer, 214-878-1619 to assist large buses.** Assemble your students by the stage on the Cesar Chavez side of The Shed.
- 4. Restrooms** – Plenty of public restrooms are available just south of The Shed and in The Market building where drinking fountains are also available.
- 5. Emergencies-** The school group is responsible for their general first aid kit. Teachers/Chaperones are to call 911 for other emergencies. Lost and Found: We will hold items for two weeks in the Administration office, contact info@dallasfarmersmarket.org

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