

Important Field Trip Information

Payment

To confirm your spot, a \$30 deposit is due one month after booking, or two weeks before your trip, whichever is sooner. The balance is due the day of the field trip (though you're welcome to send it sooner). Please make cheques payable to **Fresh Roots**.

Changes and Cancellations

We understand that plans change, and will make every effort to accommodate schedule changes made at least two weeks before your trip. Changes made less than two weeks before your trip will result in a \$30 administration fee. If you need to cancel two weeks or more before your trip, we will refund all fees paid. Your \$30 deposit becomes nonrefundable two weeks before your trip. All changes must be made in writing to education@freshroots.ca.

Inclement Weather

We're not afraid of a little rain and chill! If weather conditions are, or are predicted to be, dangerous or just plain miserable, a Fresh Roots staff member will be in touch with you as soon as possible to reschedule or cancel. Cancellations due to inclement weather are 100% refundable.

Adult Assistance

Adult assistance is important to make sure your students get the most out of their trip. We require a 1:6 adults to student ratio for grade K-3, 1:8 for grades 4-5, and 1:10 for grade 6-7. Adults are requested to participate in all activities and asked to help maintain discipline in the group. We ask adults to silence cell phones and refrain from having distracting conversations.

Be Prepared

Rain or shine, we're growing food, so please dress for working outside in the weather and be prepared to get dirty! Please review the "What Do Farmers Wear?" list with your students. Sturdy, closed-toed shoes are important; they will get dirty and possibly wet. All students and adults should bring a water bottle. Younger students may wish to bring a snack.



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Washrooms

Students must be accompanied by an adult to use the washrooms, which are inside the school. It is disruptive if students and adults leave in the middle, so please plan to have students use the washroom before or after the program.

Accessibility

Our farms have a mix of paved and unpaved pathways, and in ground beds. Students with mobility challenges or who use wheelchairs or other mobility devices have navigated our paths at Van Tech fairly successfully. The layout of David Thompson is somewhat trickier to navigate. You are welcome to walk through either of our farms at any time to see if they will meet the needs of your students.

Transportation—David Thompson

Our David Thompson farm is located at the corner of 55th and Argyle. It is close to the #20, #22, #49, and #430 busses. There is ample free street parking along both 55th and Argyle.

Transportation—Van Tech

Our Van Tech farm is located near the corner of Broadway and Slocan. It is close to the #9 and #16 busses, and a short walk from the Refrew SkyTrain station. There is ample street parking along Slocan.

Arrival

Please arrive 15 minutes before the program time so students can use the washroom. If you are running late please call Kat's cell phone at 604-837-7403 to let her know.

