



Fresh Roots Multi-Visit programs are an amazing way to deepen your students' connections with food, land, and one another. By returning to the same site throughout the year, students build a relationship with place that allows them to really dig into learning and become rooted in the farm and their community.

Apply by September 10 at <https://freshroots.ca/learn/multi-visit-interest/>.

Questions? Send an email to education@freshroots.ca or call us at 778-764-0344, ext. 100.

Multi-Visits at a Glance

	A Year on the Farm	Farm Observers
Grades	K-3 (3/4 split classes OK)	4-7 (3/4 split classes OK)
Number of Students	Up to 24	Up to 30
Focus and Themes	Cycles and Seasons: Plant Life Cycles, Seeds, Spring Celebration, Pollinators and Harvest	Connection to Place: Indigenous Plants; Sensing Change; Mapping Perspectives
Program Sessions	3 2-hour field trips, 1 classroom workshop, up to 5 teacher-led farm visits, observation journal	3 2-hour field trips, up to 5 teacher-led farm visits
Cost	Equivalent of 3 field trips	Equivalent of 2.5 field trips

Multi-Visit Field Trips

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Program Schedule

September	Applications Due Sept 10; book 2025 programs.
October	2-hour Field Trip facilitated by Fresh Roots; Payment Due (for full program or for first field trip if paying in installments)
November/December	1 or 2 Teacher-Led Farm Visits; book 2026 programs
January-March	up to 3 Teacher-Led Farm Visits; Classroom Workshop (A Year on the Farm)
April	2-hour Field Trip facilitated by Fresh Roots; 2nd installment payment due
May	1 Teacher-Led Farm Visit
June	2-hour Field Trip facilitated by Fresh Roots; final installment payment due; 2026-2027 applications open



Multi-Visit Application Acceptance

Space is limited to 10 Multi-Visit classes (max 5 Year on the Farm classes) per farm site to ensure every class can register for a field trip date of their choice and so there is adequate planting space for Year on the Farm classes. Classes who apply before September 10, 2025 will be accepted in order of application within the following priority groups:

- VSB classes within a 2 km walking distance of Van Tech/David Thompson
- Other VSB classes
- Non-VSB classes

On or after September 10, remaining spaces will be given in order of application.

Payment

Cheque payments should be mailed to

Fresh Roots

203-2910 Commercial Dr

Vancouver BC, V5N 4C9

Full year payment is due by the end of October; payment by field trip is due the date of each field trip.

If you need to pay by a method other than cheque, please contact us and we'll set up alternate payment options for you.

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 \$25 administration fee. Spring programs are often harder to reschedule last minute. Please let us know as soon as possible if you need to change April through June program dates or times.

If we have to cancel a facilitated program we will refund a prorated amount of the fees paid. There will be no refunds for missed self-guided programs.

Inclement Weather

We're not afraid of a little rain and chill! If weather conditions are, or are predicted to be, hazardous 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.

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.

Adult Assistance

We request a 1:8 adult to student ratio for grades K-3 and 1:10 for grade 4-7. Adults are requested to participate in all activities and asked to help maintain distancing and keep students engaged. We ask adults to silence cell phones and refrain from having distracting conversations during the program

Washrooms

School washrooms will be available for use. Please plan for students to use the washrooms before the scheduled start of the program. Adults will need to accompany students to the washrooms, and washroom breaks can disrupt the program

Accessibility

Our farms have a mix of paved and unpaved pathways, and raised and in ground beds. Students with mobility challenges or who use wheelchairs or other mobility devices have navigated our farm paths. You are welcome to walk through either of our farms at any non-school time to see if they will meet the needs of your students. Please let us know in advance if your class has any accessibility needs so we can best accommodate your students.

Hand Hygiene

Hand hygiene (hand washing or hand sanitizer) will be required before harvesting or preparing food, as a normal part of bathroom breaks, and as needed when hands are visibly dirty. A hand washing sink will be available on the farm site, and hand sanitizer will also be available.

Harvesting

Not all plants growing on the farm are safe to eat! When harvesting, students are expected to listen and follow instructions of the Fresh Roots team about what can be harvested and in what quantities

Food Allergens and Dietary Needs

We do not use peanuts or tree nuts in our tasting programs. We may use other allergens, including soy and gluten, as well as a variety of vegetables. All our foods are vegan/have a vegan option. Please let us know if there are any food allergies or dietary needs in your class at least one week in advance so we can accommodate them.

Our farm spaces are used by other students and the public and we cannot guarantee an entirely allergen-free space.

