



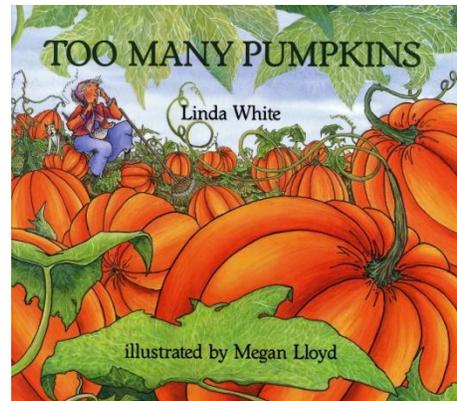
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To Our Favorite Educators,

We are excited that bookings for field trips have already begun. If you haven't already scheduled one for your class, we encourage you to do so quickly. If you have never been part of this action-packed, educational, and fun filled day, now would be the perfect time to share in this memorable experience. Only \$7 per student! Teachers and parents are FREE. Please Call: (920) 261-5645.

Activities include:

 **Ebert's Storyhouse Theater.** This year's feature story is Too Many Pumpkins by Linda White. Here is the publisher's description: "Rebecca Estelle has hated pumpkins ever since she was a girl. When an enormous pumpkin falls off a truck and smashes in her yard, she shovels dirt over the pieces and forgets about them. But those slimy pumpkin smithereens sprout up in autumn, and Rebecca Estelle finds herself with a sea of pumpkins. What will she do with so many pumpkins, when she can't stand the sight of even one?"



 **The craft project.** Students will decorate a colorful, mini pumpkin or gourd, giving the opportunity for each student to express their own unique creativity as Rebecca Estelle did.

 **Hayride.** Students and chaperones will take a hayride to the pumpkin patch (weather permitting) where students will be able to pick out a pumpkin *they are able to carry*. (Please note: hay wagons will be reserved according to the number of children, teachers, and chaperones booked for a specific time slot. If the situation should arise in which the hay wagon(s) cannot accommodate all of the adult chaperones, some may be asked to wait at the village.) **We also recommend that each student brings an old pillow case to carry his/her pumpkin in.**

 **Kid's Village.** Fun place for creative free play. There are various live farm animals to watch, a large covered sandbox, and miniature houses to play in.

 **Scavenger hunt** based on Too Many Pumpkins.

 **Rebecca Estelle's Activity House.** Students will have an opportunity for some structured fun learning with their parents/teachers. There will be games and play areas to encourage student interaction, cooperation, and following directions.

Booking information:

🍁 Field trips are booked Monday, October 1st through Wednesday, October 31st. Although many ages enjoy the program and activities, it is especially geared toward pre-kindergarten to 3rd grade. We recommend that you plan sufficient time to enjoy your experience. (Guided activities—Story, Hayride, and Craft—will take about an hour. Teacher/chaperone led activities—games, Kid’s Village, Activity House, scavenger hunt, straw bale play area, corn crib—could take 1-2 hours depending on the size of your group).

🍁 Field trips are scheduled on the hour from 9:00am – 2:00pm. The cost is \$7.00 per student. (A small pumpkin for each student and a large one for each homeroom teacher is included in the price of admission. Parents and other chaperones wishing to purchase pumpkins may pay for them in the store.) Siblings wishing to participate must pay the student fee. We request that payment be made in one lump sum upon arrival. Please note that if a group has 60 or more participants, it is likely that it will be split for your ease of transitions between activities. Also it is possible that groups of 15 or less will be asked to join a larger group.

🍁 An indoor dining area will be provided for those wishing to bring a snack or a lunch (we do not have food available on the grounds; however, a few treats are available in the store e.g. caramel apples, popcorn).

🍁 Reservations can be made by calling (920) 261-5645 between the hours of 9 am and 5 pm, Monday through Friday.

Miscellaneous reminders:

- ✓ **Groups are expected to arrive 10 minutes early.** This ensures a better flow of the day’s activities and courtesy to the other schools’ allotted times.
- ✓ Please remind everyone to dress appropriately for that day’s weather.
- ✓ We recommend that you bring hand sanitizer and/or wet wipes to assist children in clean up prior to eating. In addition to the regular bathrooms, there will be port-a-potties stationed at convenient locations throughout the Village, cleaned every morning with wash stations for your group’s convenience.

Note: *Please keep in mind that certain seating areas and the story maze will be decorated with marsh hay. Those that have related dust allergies or reactions may need to make special provisions during this part of the tour or sit next to the nearest ventilated area.*

Warm regards,

All of your fall friends at Ebert’s Greenhouse!

P.S. Don’t forget to visit us on weekends for our “Awesome Autumn Fun!” For more details, call us at (920)261-5645, email: jmertins@ebertsgreenhouse.com, or go online at www.ebertsgreenhouse.com.

