



SOURIS VALLEY MUSEUM

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- Virtual Tours
- Virtual Workshops
- In-Person Programs
- Outreach Programs
- Customized programs available

EDUCATION GUIDE 2021-2022

ABOUT US

SERVING SCHOOLS ACROSS SASKATCHEWAN & NORTHERN TERRITORIES

WHO ARE WE?

The Souris Valley Museum provides engaging educational programs for schools across Saskatchewan and the Northern Territories. The Museum provides visitors with the depiction of the socio-cultural influences and economic development of Southeast Saskatchewan through the collection, preservation, exhibition, images, documents and stories significant to the region.

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

Programs are offered throughout the year to schools to attend in-person, virtually, or in your classroom/centre. All programs at the Museum are led by Museum staff and volunteers. Teachers have the opportunity to book their class for a program that best reflects their curricular outcomes and students capabilities. All of the programs introduce students to the Museum's exhibit and important activities and practices of historic life in Saskatchewan.

VIRTUAL TOURS & WORKSHOPS

Due to the huge success of virtual programming last school year, the Museum is bringing back **Free Virtual Museum Tours** and adding more **Free Virtual Workshops** for students. Register early to ensure your class spot whether it is a tour or workshop.

HOURS OF OPERATION & FEES

Teachers are welcome to book a class for an in-person, virtual, or outreach program Monday to Friday between 9 am and 5 pm.

The fee for in-person or an outreach program costs between \$1 to \$2 per student, depending on the program. Teachers and chaperones are required to attend in-person programs, at no cost. One adult must be present for every ten students.

Virtual programs and tours are **free** for teachers.

HOW TO BOOK

Teachers who are interested in booking their class for in-person programs, virtual tours or workshops, or outreach programs with the Souris Valley Museum please contact 306.634.5543 or info@sourisvalleymuseum.ca.

For in-person, outreach and virtual tours, please have alternative dates chosen just in case your first choice is not available.



PROGRAMS

Legend: **IN** - In-person program
V - Virtual program
O - Outreach (in class)

PRESCHOOLERS/FAMILY ENGAGEMENTS @ THE SVM

IN, V, O

Grade: Pre-K | Preschools

Cost & Length: Please contact the Museum

The Souris Valley Museum can provide customizable programs and engagements for children who attend Pre-K and preschools. Some examples of programs offered in the past include: Halloween from the Past, Dinosaurs, Farm Life, etc. These programs can be offered in-person at the Museum, virtually for preschools and Pre-K programs across the province or invite us to your school or centre. Please see the [Preschool Program Guide 2021-2022](#) for more information on upcoming programs.

ON THE FARM

IN, V

Suggested Grades: K-3*

Cost: \$1 per student (IN) | Free (V) Length: 1 hr. (IN) | 35-40 mins. (V)

Working on and helping on the farm was a way of life for young children during pioneer time. During this program students will learn about the life of pioneer children and what jobs they helped with on the farm. At the end of the tour children will have a chance to make their very own butter. For classes attending **virtually**, a butter making demonstration will end the tour.

Learning Outcomes:

- Compare and contrast between roles and responsibilities from the past and present;
- Identify changes in community over time;
- Identifies the differences of a liquid and a solid;
- Understand the importance of the environment and impact it has on communities.

STEPPING INTO THE PAST



IN, V

Grade: 2-6*

Cost: \$1 per student (IN) | Free (V) Length: 1 hr. 30 min. (IN) | 35-40 mins. (V)

Through artifacts, historical pictures and displays, students examine community life in the past and compare it with how life is today. The program can be adapted to include either pioneer, Indigenous artifacts or both.

Learning Outcomes:

- Describe how technology affects individuals and communities;
- Identify changes in community over time;
- Compare ways in which needs and wants are met;
- Describe traditional technology used by pioneers and/or Indigenous peoples.

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A PIONEER LIFE

IN, O

Suggested Grades: 1-8*

Cost: \$1-\$2 per student (IN, O) Length: 1 hr. 30 min (IN) | 1 hr. (O)

Learn about the pioneer life during this program. Students will have a chance to explore the Museum and learn about the early settlers. Included in this program is a tour and a choice of seven different activities for the teacher to choose from. Activities include: a mock school day, a scavenger hunt, historical games, rope making, fortune teller craft, ice cream making or butter making.

Learning Outcomes:

- Describe the differences between how life was in the past compared to the present;
- Identify changes in community over time;
- Identifies the differences of a liquid and a solid;
- How pioneer students' actions affect the well-being of the school and community;
- Develop dramatic work within your classroom.

DISCOVERING INDIGENOUS CULTURE

IN, V

Suggested Grades: K-10*

Cost: \$1 per student (IN) | Free (V) Length: 1 hr. (IN) | 35-40 mins. (V)

This program will allow students to learn more about Indigenous culture and history. Discover how early Indigenous peoples lived, discuss the importance of storytelling by listening to legends and myths, and learn more about traditional foods and traditional games. Students will have a chance to learn more about Indigenous culture by visiting the Museum's Indigenous display that features hand tools, spear heads, and traditional clothing.

Learning Outcomes:

- Describe traditional technology used by Indigenous peoples;
- Understanding of storytelling and the importance of oral histories;
- Identify the ways in which human needs are met through the use of nature and land.

CUSTOMIZABLE PROGRAMS FOR YOUR CLASS

IN, V, O

Grade: K-12

Cost & Length: Please contact the Museum

The Souris Valley Museum would love to hear from teachers if they cannot find a program that fits the needs of their class. The Museum has worked with many K-12 teachers to customize programs and tours, both in-person and virtually, to align with specific outcomes and to accommodate class schedules. Please do not be afraid to contact us, we are here to help! **For more information please contact 306.634.5543.**

*CAN BE CUSTOMIZED FOR OLDER OR YOUNGER GRADES

That the past may live again...
- Stan Durr



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FREE VIRTUAL MUSEUM TOURS

- Pre-K to Grade 12 -

The Souris Valley Museum is happy to provide teachers with a free virtual tour of the Museum from September to June. The tour can be customized to fit the needs of your class - including times and length of tour. For more information or to book your class please contact:
306.634.5543 or info@sourisvalleymuseum.ca.

Virtual tours are available through Microsoft Teams, Google Meets, and Zoom.

- 2021-2022 School Year -

WORKSHOPS

FALL/WINTER 2021

Legend: **IN** - In-person program
V - Virtual program
O - Outreach (in class)

MOCK SCHOOL DAY WITH THE SOURIS VALLEY MUSEUM

V

Suggested Grades: K-8

Dates: October 4-7, 2021

Session Times: 9 am | 10 am | 12 pm | 1 pm | 2 pm

Cost: Free

Length: Approximately 35 mins.

Join the teaching staff at the Schneller Schoolhouse, virtually. This school is a one-room schoolhouse that is located on the property of the Souris Valley Museum. Students will take on the role and responsibilities of a pioneer student - make sure that you have good manners, hard workers, and listen to the teacher. This will be a fun program for your students, even though there might be some high standards from the teaching staff. Included in this workshop is a grade appropriate spelling bee.

Learning Outcomes:

- Students will learn how to distinguish roles, rights and responsibilities and compare them to today;
- How pioneer students action affect the well-being of the school and community;
- Develop dramatic work within your classroom.

A PIONEER CHRISTMAS

V

Suggested Grades: K-8

Dates: December 6-9, 2021

Session Times: 9 am | 10 am | 12 pm | 1 pm | 2 pm

Cost: Free

Length: 30-35 mins.

Join the Souris Valley Museum, virtually to help bring the holidays to life in a rustic classroom setting. Students will experience Christmas Traditions from the pioneer times and festive activities that would have taken place in a traditional one-room schoolhouse. The workshop will conclude with an old-fashioned Christmas ornament making demonstration, where students will learn the skills to make an old-fashioned ornament at home.

Learning Outcomes:

- Students discuss the cross-cultural symbolism related to the holiday season;
- Distinguish students' roles, rights, and responsibilities and how their actions affect things around them.

WORKSHOPS

WINTER/SPRING 2022

Legend: **IN** - In-person program
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IN THE PIONEER KITCHEN

V

Suggested Grades: Pre-K-8

Dates: April 26-29, 2022

Session Times: 9 am | 10 am | 12 pm | 1 pm | 2 pm

Cost: Free

Length: 30-35 mins.

The Souris Valley Museum invites teachers to come to the Museum, virtually, to learn about pioneer times. During this workshop, students will have the opportunity to learn about the importance of the pioneer kitchen, and the science behind ice cream making (a treat that was loved by many pioneer children) by watching an Ice Cream Making Demonstration.

Learning Outcomes:

- Describe how technology affects individuals and communities;
- Identify changes in community over time;
- Identifies the differences of a liquid and a solid;
- Understand the importance of not wasting food.

HERITAGE DAY

IN

Grades: K-8

Dates: June 1-2, 2022

Session Times: 9:30 am | 12:30 pm

Cost: \$2 per student

Length: 2 hrs.

Take a trip back into history! Heritage Day will allow students to take part in some fun activities and learn about how life was lived over a century ago. Students will participate in a schoolhouse re-enactment and other history related activities. Each year there will be new activities for students - for more information about the upcoming Heritage Day please contact the Museum. If we cannot meet in person this workshop may be able to be moved to a virtual program.

Teachers will have the option of choosing either the morning or afternoon session. The morning session will run from 9:30 am to 11:30 am and the afternoon session will run from 12:30 pm to 2:30 pm. Please note 2 chaperones for every 15 students is required, at no cost. Spaces are limited, register your class as soon as possible.

Learning Outcomes:

- Describe how technology affects individuals and communities;
- Identify changes in community over time.