



TERRA FIRMA FARM

Guidelines for Use & Respecting our Farm

**The Farm is home for our animals, plants, critters and all living beings!
Show respect for our Farm and our animals.**

We are a working farm where farm chores and maintenance projects are always in process. For all to be safe and have a rewarding learning experience, we have these guidelines:

- ◆ The animals live in a peaceful environment, move slowly and speak in a normal tone.
 - ◆ Please do not unlock or climb on any fences or gates.
 - ◆ Our livestock are raised organically. You are welcome to feed any grasses or weeds that are growing outside their pasture fences or staff provided treats. The animals are friendly but grab food differently so watch little fingers.
 - ◆ Organic farming means rotating animals from pasture to pasture to allow them to graze fresh grasses, to keep parasites in check and to spread out manure. To accomplish this we also use portable electric fences. When in use these fences will be **on** and they are obviously seen and should never be touched.
 - ◆ **Areas that are out of bounds** are: the hayloft in the barn, the inside of the cornshed, the inside of all pens and animal barns and inside the pasture gates. Please also respect our caretakers' privacy and do not allow the children in the house.
 - ◆ Children should remain with their chaperone at all times. To maintain an adequate level of supervision, we suggest there be one adult present for every 6 children.
 - ◆ For the health and safety of our animals, we request that no **straws or balloons** be used at the Farm.
- If possible please use environmentally friendly products such as cups of juice not juice boxes with straws.
- ◆ The Farm remains open to the public during birthday parties and events. Please do not block access with parking, games, set-up, etc.
 - ◆ **No littering, smoking, or alcohol is permitted.**
 - ◆ **In order to respect our animals we ask that you leave your dog at home!**

Trash and Recycling: All trash and recycling must be disposed of properly. Trash & recycling bins are located by barn and outside the cornshed. A bin for composting food waste is located on the far side of the chicken coop. You are responsible for placing all trash & recycling in the appropriate containers.

Picnic Tables: Picnic Tables are available for your use. Please wipe them clean after using.