

# Welcome to the

# HERITAGE FARMSTEAD MUSEUM!

The Heritage Farmstead Museum represents farm life on the Blackland Prairie from the 1890s to the 1920s. Built by Hunter Farrell in 1891, the four-acre site is marked by the National Register of Historic Places as a State and Local Historic Landmark. It was the hub of a 360 acre working farm and was operated in later years by Miss Ammie Wilson, one of Plano's most colorful citizens and world champion Hampshire sheep breeder. The Heritage Farmstead Association, founded in 1973, researched, planned, and raised funds for an extensive restoration project and reopened the Farmstead as a living history museum in October of 1986. The Farmstead has artifacts of significant historical value, therefore, we request that all visitors respect this valuable landmark so that its beauty and historical worth may be preserved for future generations.

## Chaperones should...

- Stay with your group at all times and provide appropriate guidance.
- Step in when students need correcting if they are not listening or breaking the rules.
- Keep to your assigned schedule—even a 5 minute delay can throw off rotations. If you get turned around you can limit time at the next station to catch up.
- Keep self phones on silent and tucked away.
- Feel free to take photos on the property (no pictures inside the Farrell Wilson House) but please keep in mind that learning comes first.
- Continue to watch students after lunch (if you eat lunch on the property).

## Rules for the Farmstead...

- No drinks, chewing gum, or candy inside the buildings.
- No touching within the Farrell Wilson House. The museum staff and volunteers will let you and your students know which objects can be touched and handled on the property. When in doubt, do not touch.
- No petting the animals. Guests are encouraged to talk /visit with the animals but they should refrain from touching or yelling at the animas.
- Help keep the Farmstead clean by throwing away any trash in the trash/recycling bin.
- No climbing on the buildings or going beyond the barriers.
- No smoking on the Farmstead property.

