



EDUCATION
PROGRAMS

Preschool Educators:

We invite you to join us for the in-Museum program:

Giddy Up and Whoa

It's on a horse and wagon ride we go

**Western Development Museum -
North Battleford**

Friday, May 8, 2026

Application Deadline: May 1, 2026



Curriculum Connections:

- Experiencing heightened sensory awareness through guided listening exercises while riding in the wagon

- Taking the perspective of others and showing empathy by learning that horses have emotions and how they express them

- Identifying and regulating emotions, including using “feeling words” in discussions about and comparisons with horses’ emotions

- Developing fine motor skills through the creation of a craft

Giddy Up and Whoa focuses on horses and touches on some of the roles they have played in Saskatchewan's history. Before automobiles, horses and horse-drawn vehicles were one of the main means of transportation for people and goods. Horses also provided the power for large industrial equipment, like agricultural plows. The program has been designed to follow the curriculum from the [Essential Learning Experiences for Three-, Four-, and Five-Year Olds](#) recommended by the Saskatchewan Ministry of Education, Early Years branch.

Program Content:

- Horse-drawn wagon ride
- Explore horse body language and emotions
- Visit to the WDM Barn
- Bridle demonstration
- Take home craft

The horse-drawn wagon rides are provided by Museum volunteers. Our wagon can hold 12 students plus a maximum of two adults.

Please ensure students are dressed appropriately for the weather as the program takes place outdoors and in the Barn.



Program Availability: Friday, May 8, 2025

Program Time: Available sessions are from 9:30 - 11:30 am and 1:00 - 3:00 pm

Program Length: The program is two hours which includes the structured Museum-led program and time to visit the Museum galleries.

Program Cost: \$5 per student

Chaperone Ratios: Groups are expected to provide chaperones (including teachers) at a ratio of 1 adult per 5 students. Chaperones are admitted free of charge. Support staff and chaperones for students with significant needs are allowed at a 1:1 ratio at no charge. Admission for additional adults beyond the required number is \$12 each.

Visiting with multiple classes: It is possible for two classes from the same school to participate in this program. Both classes may book together, but must indicate the name and contact information of all educators that will be attending on their joint booking.

How To Book: Visit our booking sheet at
https://wdm.ca/for_teachers/giddy-up-and-whoa/

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