2019-2020 School Programs

All of the education programs offered at Mahaffie Stagecoach Stop and Farm Historic Site are aligned to curriculum standards and are filled with hands-on activities to engage your students.

Book one program for a morning or afternoon, or book two and stay all day!

Weather permitting, all students will ride in a real stagecoach.

Our Programs:
Growing up Victorian  •  Wagons Ho  •  JB Mahaffie had a Farm
Home on the Range  •  The Tragic Prelude
See reverse for program descriptions!

Register now for 2019 and 2020! $6/student a.m. or p.m. - full day (2 programs) for $10.
Visit Mahaffie.org/programs/school-programs for full details.
To schedule your program, call 913-971-5111 or email Janice Bonat, at jbonat@olatheks.org.
Can't make it to us? Inquire about bringing some of our programs to your school.
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GROWING UP VICTORIAN-
Then and Now
designed for grades K - 2

In this program, students make comparisons between their lives and the lives of children in the mid-1800s as they help with farm chores, play period games and take a stagecoach ride.

WAGONS HO-
Kansas & the US
designed for grades 3 - 8

Thousands of people passed the Mahaffie home on their journey to Santa Fe, Oregon and California. Students discover why-and how-so many Americans headed west as they pan for ‘gold; and explore a real prairie schooner packed for the Oregon Trail among other activities.

JB MAHAFFIE HAD A FARM - Community
designed for grades 3 - 8

Students experience life on a real, working farm of the 1860s and 1870s. Depending on the season, students may help with planting or harvesting, visit the animals and learn about the arrival of white settlers in Kansas.

HOME ON THE RANGE
designed for grades 3 - 8

Students explore the lives of drovers - cowboys - who traversed the Kansas frontier with herds of Texas cattle after the Civil War. They will learn this all-American job originated in Mexico and the Southwest as they handle cowboy gear and clothing, throw a lariat and use a branding iron.

THE TRAGIC PRELUDE
designed for grades 5 - 8

The Mahaffie family moved to Kansas in 1857, in the days of "Bleeding Kansas" fighting that led into the American Civil War. Marching and drilling, writing letters home with a real ink pen, learning how to fire cannon, and other activities introduce students to the lives of soldiers and civilians on both sides of these conflicts.

Bus Transportation
Scholarships

Mahaffie Historic Site is a member of the Freedom’s Frontier National Heritage Area. Schools wishing to visit Mahaffie may apply for a “Bus On Us” scholarship through the FFNHA to help with bus costs.

Visit freedomsfrontier.org/pages/BusOnUs or contact FFNHA Education Manager Lexi Ray at lray@freedomsfrontier.org for more information.