

Historic Fort Wayne will kick off its 2026 season with its Education Day on May 8, 2026. This is in conjunction with Muster on the St. Mary's – A Time Line Event. The event is for local 4th & 5th grades from area public schools, private schools, and home school programs. All attending groups must pre-register. The day's events will go from 9AM to 2PM. The Fort will have several presenters who will bring the history of our area and state alive some European history will also be presented. We hope to fulfill these standards for Indiana:

- Revolutionary War and the history of Indiana
- War of 1812 and statehood
- Civil War, Indiana's role in this pivotal war.
- Industrial Revolution, the role of machines and manufacturing in Indiana
- Life skills of pioneers, trappers, and settlers of Indiana. What did it really take to survive?
- Folk arts and crafts including fiber arts.

As you can see, the day will be varied and should be exciting for your classes. Due to the site location and with the school day's length, we will only be able to accept a limited number of schools. If there is rain that day, the program will continue as planned and students should wear appropriate clothing for the weather. There will be a short walk from the bus unloading area (near Lawton Park) to the Fort along the River Greenway. Buses may park at any desired location after drop off at Lawton Park. We would ask that you have 1 chaperone per 10 children.

Please note that there will be cannon and gun fire throughout the day on a regular basis. Reservations are first come first serve. Please remember that the space/time is limited. Please review the attached pages and complete the registration form. Return to the address on the form.

Registration deadline is **March 8, 2026**. Once we receive your registration you will be sent a letter informing you whether your registration has been accepted or denied due to space limitations. We will have a waiting list for groups in case of cancellations.

Thank you for your consideration,
Sincerely,

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