



# FREE TOUR & STEM ACTIVITIES

Join us for a fun and educational field trip! Free for all public and private schools and homeschools associated with a school district.



## Educational Tour

*Adjusted to be educationally appropriate for your group*

- Free Educational Tour (no activity) – Cheese Theater movie, cow lesson, hands-on exhibits & cheese samples

**Tour Length:** 30-45 minute guided tour adjusted to be age-appropriate



## Ice Cream Activity

*Kindergarten & older*

- Each student makes (and eats) his/her own ice cream sample
- Lesson integrates science, reading, rhythm, listening & direction-following skills
- Food safety & nutrition

**Maximum Tour Length:** 90 minutes



## Cheesemaking Activity

*4th Grade & older*

- Student teams follow the scientific method to make cheese
- Lesson integrates reading, writing, critical thinking & measurements
- Food safety & nutrition

**Maximum Tour Length:** 90 minutes



Students see the Cheese Theater show and watch employees package “the Big Cheese,” 640-pound blocks of cheese. Interactive exhibits use multiple senses and activities to learn about the technology on today’s dairy farms, how farmers care for cows, careers in agriculture, recycling and the health benefits of dairy products. All guests receive complimentary samples of Hilmar cheese.

**School Tour Start Times:** 9:30 am or earlier, 11:00 am, 12:30 pm and various afternoon times

**Tour Length:** 45 minutes for the Educational Tour and 45 minutes more for Ice Cream or Cheesemaking Activity. Maximum total: 90 minutes

**School Tour Months:** January through early November.

**Group Size:** Maximum of 180 students + chaperones per start time. Minimum group of 10 students. Groups fewer than 45 students may be combined with other small groups.

**Teachers and Chaperones:** We appreciate 1 adult for every 5 students

**Shaded Picnic Area On-Site:** Plenty of picnic tables for large groups

**Food Available:** School meals, a Café and Peet’s Coffee in our Visitor Center

## Schedule Today!

Online tour reservation form:  
[www.hilmarcheese.com](http://www.hilmarcheese.com)

E-mail: [tours@hilmarcheese.com](mailto:tours@hilmarcheese.com)

Call: 209.656.1167

# HILMAR CHEESE COMPANY VISITOR CENTER

ONLY Place in the World to...



See the "Big Cheese" 640 Lb. Block



See the largest dairy mural



**NEW!**

## AgXscape: Escape Room Challenge

An immersive educational experience using teamwork and critical thinking to solve the challenge! AgXscape is a fun group activity using science, math, reading, manipulation, a microscope and scan technology in our captivating dairy farm office environment.

- **Players:** 2-6 students, 2nd grade and older per session with 1 chaperone/teacher OR 6 adults - if you are looking for a fun teacher bonding activity!
- **Cost:** Student price is \$50 per group Monday-Friday (up to 6 students, 1 free chaperone per group)
- **Time:** 30 minute challenge
- Rotate groups through during your lunch time or after school
- Use as an incentive, reward or leadership team building or group activity



[www.agxscape.com](http://www.agxscape.com)

## Common Core & Standards

This "intra-curricular" field trip supports both common core and NGSS. Interactive exhibits reinforce reading, math and science skills; nutrition concepts; and career options. All students receive a hairnet, Hilmar cheese samples, "Daisy's Dairy ABCs" standards-correlated booklet, and a souvenir pencil.

### Tour, Booklet and Ice Cream Making Experience

Gr.	CC Reading for Info.Text	CC Writing	CC Listening & Speaking	CC Math	NGSS Science	Houghton Mifflin
K	1, 2, 10	2, 3	1, 1A, 2, 2A, 3, 4	CC.4, CC.5, OA.1, MD.2	LS1C, ESS3.A, ESS3.C	Down on the Farm
1st	1, 2	1, 2, 3	1, 1A, 2, 2A, 3, 4	OA.1, OA.6	LS1.B, LS1.D	Let's Look Around
2nd	1	1, 2, 8	1, 1A, 2	OA.1, OA.2	PS1.A, PS1.B	Around Town
3rd	1	2, 3, 8	1, 1B-D, 3	NBT.2	LS3.A	Smart Solutions

### Tour, Booklet and Cheesemaking Experience (4th Grade - Adult)

Gr.	CC Reading for Info.Text	CC Writing	CC Listening & Speaking	CC Math	NGSS Science	Houghton Mifflin
4th	1, 4	4, 8, 9	1, 1B-C, 2	NBT.4, MD.2	ETS1.A	That's Amazing
5th	1, 4	4, 8, 9	1, 1B-C, 2	MD.3	LS1.C, ESS3.C, PS1.A, ETS1.A	Give it All...
6th	1, 4	1, 1A, 1B	1, 1B-D	RP.3D	LS1.B, ETS1.B	Doers and Dream

CC REFERS TO COMMON CORE STANDARDS FOR EDUCATION. NGSS REFERS TO THE NEXT GENERATION SCIENCE STANDARDS.