Overview

Looking for supplemental learning for your class? Bring your students to Coggeshall for a deep dive into a variety of 18th century topics. Learn from our expert history educators on an hour-long guided walking tour of our 1796 homestead. Have a specific topic request? Contact coggeshallEd@osv.org, or choose from one of our expert topics.

On the Day Of:

Upon arrival, Coggeshall educators will greet your bus and bring you into the farm. After introductions and rules, students will be led on a walking tour through the farm. Groups have the option to eat lunch on site. At the end of your trip, Coggeshall staff will lead your group back to the bus and see you off!

Student Review: “It was so cool and interesting learning about what it was like in the 1700s and what they experienced during that time period. I also enjoyed the nature walk at the end, it was so beautiful! I saved the best for last and my absolute favorite part....THE ANIMALSSSS!!!!!!!. I had so much fun and would love to come back! Even to work!”
Choose from one of our topics, or request your own!

**Farming and the American Dream**

For much of Rhode Island’s history, it was a farming community. But sustenance farming is challenging and frequently reward-less. Learn about the history of NE agriculture and how it spurred Westward expansion.

**Foodways and Culture**

The first American cookbook was published in 1796, but food has shaped and driven American culture from its earliest days. Learn about early food culture and its influencing factors, from the Triangle trade to Native American relations.

**Textiles: From Sheep to Loom**

The wool and textile industry was instrumental both the lives of everyday people and the factors behind the Revolutionary War and Industrial Revolution. Learn how farmers create their wardrobes at home starting with our Coggeshall sheep and moving all the way to a finished garment.

**Animal Care and Husbandry**

Take a walking tour of our farm animals and nature trails to learn about historic animal husbandry practices and the role of New England wildlife in post-colonial life.

**Hearth and Home**

Take an in-depth tour of our 1796 farmhouse as one of the few surviving 18th century tenant farm dwellings.

**Women’s Work**

Learn about the role of working class women in raising a family, keeping a house, running a farm, and bringing in income, as well as their status and roles in larger society.

**The Bristol Slave Trade:**

The Triangle Trade shaped American life for generations. Learn about Bristol’s role as a slave-trading port as well as the wide-reaching economic impact it had on town, state, and region.

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**Ready to Book?**

*Book directly by submitting a request through our website.*

Website:  [https://www.coggeshallfarm.org/education/](https://www.coggeshallfarm.org/education/)

*Have more questions? Send us an email!*

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