



April 15, 2022

Dear Bloomington Educator,

We are pleased to announce that after a two-year hiatus due to COVID, Bloomington River Rendezvous school days are back! This year's school days will be held on two days, September 22 and 23, *with the possibility of adding a third day on September 21, depending on registrations.*

River Rendezvous is an annual festival of historical re-enactments and demonstrations relating to the 1800-1870's period in Minnesota. River Rendezvous School Days focuses on the history and culture of the Native Americans, fur traders, and early settlers of Minnesota and the Midwest. The setting is Pond Dakota Mission Park, a historic 40-acre site located in the City of Bloomington.

Once again we will be offering a special rate for Bloomington schools, as well as an early bird rate. The early bird registration rate is \$7.50 per student for all Bloomington schools that register before May 15. Bloomington schools that register after May 15 will be charged \$9.50 per student.

River Rendezvous School Days are designed primarily for students in grades 4 through 6 to enhance their understanding of Minnesota and frontier history. Classes come to the Rendezvous for up to an entire school day. Depending on the length of stay, classes will participate in 8-10 twenty-minute demonstrations in the areas of Dakota Culture, Early Trades and Crafts, Pioneer Life, The Fur Trade, Fun & Games, and more. The emphasis is on providing students with authentic and hands-on historical experiences.

More information, including a video of the event, can be found at Blm.mn/rendezvous.

Please see the enclosed information for admission, registration, and cancellation policies, as well as the registration form. If you have any other questions, please call Mark Morrison at 952-563-8693, or e-mail riverrendezvous@BloomingtonMN.gov. Don't miss this exciting educational event, marked as one of the premiere educational Rendezvous in the entire Midwest!

Sincerely,

Mark Morrison Recreation Supervisor

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