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## Pioneer Cabin Program



### Greetings from 1838!

This spring spend a day with the Merrills at Pioneer Cabin. This living history educational program is typically 5 hours long. It is taught by 2 first person reenactors, who will portray Harlow "Pa" and Ada "Ma" Merrill.

Your trip to Pioneer Cabin begins by walking back in time to the early 19<sup>th</sup> century. The Merrills will invite the group to help with chores around their 19<sup>th</sup> century furnished frontier cabin. Your students will use common period tools, make candles, learn about food preservation and prepare lunch. Lunch will consist of stew, apple sauce, corn bread, homemade butter and water. Throughout the day, Ma and Pa will discuss their journey to Michigan, their reliance on natural world and the development of the local government.

You and your students will make life-long memories while also covering several of Michigan's Grade Level Content Expectations (GLCEs).



Ma serving lunch.



Using a saw to cut logs.

**The cost is \$20 / student and parent chaperone with a \$400 minimum. No charge for school personnel. Group size is limited to 30 people. The cost includes lunch. This program is perfect for 3rd graders. GLCEs available upon request.**

For spring openings, contact Matthew Santner, OEC Events Coordinator at [oecevents@battle-creek.k12.mi.us](mailto:oecevents@battle-creek.k12.mi.us) or (269) 721-8161.