



## Grade 3 – Early Settler Life In-Class Program

Dear Teachers,

Thank you for your interest in booking a **FREE** Community Classroom program. This is a partnership between many corporate partners, private Donors and The Oakville Community Foundation. The program is free to all Grade 3 students in Oakville's publicly funded school system. Early Settler Life In-Class provides in-class instruction from museum staff through early settler crafts to accomplish Strand A of the Social Studies Curriculum - Heritage and Identity: Communities in Canada, 1780-1850. The session is two hours in length.

Only **one session per student** in Oakville will be funded by The Foundation to ensure every student gets the chance to participate.

**All teachers must do the following when booking and taking part in a Community Classroom program. Please print and bring the protocol to the session.**

1. Use the online booking system found at [www.theocf.org/booking](http://www.theocf.org/booking) to request your grade specific program.
2. From there, submit the booking request.
3. For booking, you will need to provide the following:
  - Teacher contact, school name and grade
  - Date requested (Museum will confirm availability directly)
  - Location of program and technical needs
  - Number of students (there may be minimum / maximum limitations on class size)
4. Send home the program information letter with each participating student (letter found below, please photocopy).
5. Schedule your program between September 4, 2018 and June 14, 2019.
6. Recognize the role of the Oakville Community Foundation and its sponsors when introducing the program. Suggested script as follows:

"It is my pleasure to introduce **"Name of Oakville Museum staff."** This Museum in-class program is part of the Oakville Community Foundation's "Community Classroom" program which has a goal of providing an Arts, Culture and Heritage experience for all Oakville K-8 students. This session has been made possible by the Oakville Community Foundation and its Connecting Sponsor Toronto Pearson International Airport. And if you really enjoyed it make sure your parents know."



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Dear Family,

As part of the 2018-2019 school year, your child has the opportunity to participate in a **FREE** educational program called Community Classroom, offered by The Oakville Community Foundation along with title-connecting sponsor Toronto Pearson International Airport.

Community Classroom provides arts, culture and heritage programs help students better understand their community. The programs are developed in partnership with Oakville's two school boards and support student learning with curriculum-based activities.

The Foundation's long term goal is to provide a local arts, culture and heritage experience to all 22,000 students in all of Oakville's publicly funded elementary schools

Your child's teacher has signed their class up for the **Grade 3 Early Settlers in-class session facilitated by the Oakville Museum**. The Oakville Museum will come to your child's class where they will experience the following:

- Students will examine local historical resources such as maps, photographs, letters and artifacts
- Students will engage with museum exploratory boxes containing objects and hands-on activities to better understand the early settlers from a local perspective
- Students will create an early settler toy

All costs associated with this experience are covered under Community Classroom.

All Community Classroom programs are provided in partnership with local arts, culture and heritage organizations. For more information on the local organizations or the program your child is attending, please visit our website at [www.theocf.org/expertise/community-classroom](http://www.theocf.org/expertise/community-classroom)

While visiting the website, **if you are able, please consider "paying it forward" by donating to Community Classroom** to ensure this program can be offered annually.

Thank you,

The Oakville Community Foundation