

Colonial Lifeways

Grades Pre-K through 5th, Max 30 students, 1-2 hours



This interactive, hands-on program is designed to provide students a general understanding of daily life in colonial Maryland. Through artifacts, pictures, games and interactive activities, students will learn how early European settlers adapted to life along the Patuxent River.

Activities Include:

- Compare colonial life with life today by looking and touching artifacts of the time period.
- Discuss the various types of chores performed by men, women and children during colonial times. Participate in various chores including fetching water, grinding corn, splitting cedar shingles, flint and steel fire making.
- Learn about the lives of colonial children through storytelling.
- Learn about “Quilting Bees” and how colonial families would preserve their family histories through quilts. Create a class quilt to display on your wall at school.
- Learn about the games and toys played with by colonial children. Play the game of Graces, make dolls out of old rags or corn husks.

For more information on this program and fees, contact the Education Coordinator at (410) 586-8504, or kcooper@mdp.state.md.us.