



Rise to Rebellion 2024



Dear Educator,

Do you teach your Grade 7/8 students about the 1837 Rebellion of Upper Canada? If this notable moment in Canadian history is part of your classroom instruction, then Georgina Pioneer Village and Archives has a unique learning opportunity that you won't want to miss.

Scheduled for Thursday, May 9 and Friday, May 10, 2024, Georgina Pioneer Village and Archives is hosting the annual Education Days for Rise to Rebellion: An Interactive Re-creation of the 1837 Rebellion of Upper Canada. Unlike any other education program throughout the Greater Toronto Area, students will have a chance to learn about the issues involved in the struggle for responsible government from costumed personalities, and to participate in an interactive re-creation of this celebrated episode of Canadian history.

Georgina Pioneer Village and Archives has assembled the talents of re-enactors from the Incorporated Militia of Upper Canada and the Lloydtown Company, as well as numerous historic demonstrators and interpreters, who together will provide you and your students with an unforgettable day of learning.

The following page includes greater detail about Education Day 2024. There is also a registration form for you to complete if you choose to participate. I invite you and your students to join us at Georgina Pioneer Village and Archives on May 9 or 10 for an informative and memorable learning experience. The fee to participate is \$6 per student. Space is limited, please register early.

Please contact the Village today for further information. I look forward to receiving your registration form soon.

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Curriculum Links:

Rise to Rebellion Education Day is directly linked to the Grade 7 History Strand B: Conflict and Challenges.

As part of Education Day, students will:

- Investigate the causes of the 1837 Rebellion of Upper Canada through interaction with key personalities involved in the conflict.
- Analyse the competing points of view put forward by William Lyon Mackenzie and Sir Francis Bond Head, and examine how their differences led to armed conflict. After booking, each participating class will be assigned a side that they must represent during Education Day. Teachers will then be mailed a preparation package to help them prepare their students for Education Day. These instructions will provoke students to think critically about the issues they will be supporting, and how they differ with the competing point of view.

- Learn appropriate vocabulary used by both sides of the debate over responsible government. Your package will include a list of terms employed by the Rebels and Loyalists. Additionally, through contact with costumed personalities and historical demonstrators, students will have the opportunity to further compare and contrast the words chosen by the local Reform politician and Loyal supporters as they attempt to sway students' opinions.
- Witness first-hand the outcome of the armed conflict between Mackenzie's Rebels and Bond Head's Loyalist forces.

EDUCATION DAY

OPTION 1: MORNING SESSION

10:00am to 12:00pm

- 10:00:** Arrival & greetings.
- 10:15:** Students will rotate through various historic demonstration stations.
- 11:15:** Students will hear speeches from the local Loyalist and Reform representatives.
- 11:35:** Interactive re-creation of the 1837 Rebellion alongside costumed re-enactors.
- 12:00pm:** Departure.

OPTION 2: AFTERNOON SESSION

12:30pm to 2:30pm

- 12:30:** Arrival & greetings.
- 12:45:** Students will rotate through various historic demonstration stations.
- 1:45:** Students will hear speeches from the local Loyalist and Reform representatives.
- 2:05:** Interactive re-creation of the 1837 Rebellion alongside costumed re-enactors.
- 2:30:** Departure.



Turn your Rise to Rebellion Program into a full day experience by adding on a Challenge Course Booking. The Georgina Pioneer Village is right next to the ROC Challenge Course and it is only a short walk for your students. There is a morning and afternoon session, featuring two options:

Option #1 Low Ropes & Climbing Wall

Participants will experience a variety of different ground elements and rock climbing on our 32ft, multi route rock wall. The program will focus on challenging yourself, team building and fun of course!

Option #2 High Ropes

Participants will traverse from element-to-element 25ft in the air on our amazing high ropes course! Participants will be paired up and explore the course together, all the while focusing on communication, teamwork, and personal challenges.

Sessions	Price
AM Session: 10:00am-12:00pm	\$15.00 per person
PM Session: 12:30pm-2:30pm	\$15.00 per person
*Maximum 20 students per option, total of 40 students per session	

For more information on booking your group and adding to your Rise to Rebellion Program, please contact Bianca Labrador, Recreation Programmer – Challenge Course and Outdoor Programs: (905) 476-8834 ext. 3296 or blabrador@georgina.ca