



IDEAS FOR FAMILY FUN AUTUMN QUARTER, 2022



Celebrating Bounty

Legend tells us that in 1621 the Plymouth Rock Pilgrims held that first feast of Thanksgiving, both to their God for deliverance from near starvation, and to the Wampanoag who helped save them. Very few of us have experienced hunger and privation such as the first English settlers to America did, and yet on the third Thursday of November we all take time to share the surplus, feast with loved ones, and express gratitude for hard times survived. We wish you and yours abundance and happiness in your celebration.

Activity Theme: Apples

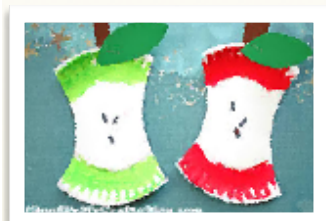
Read: *Up, Up Up It's Apple Picking Time* by Jody Shapiro; *The Apple Pie Tree* by Zoe Hall; *Apple* by Nikki McClure

Explore: Go apple picking!
[timeout.com/chicago/kids/](https://www.timeout.com/chicago/kids/)

activities

Create:

Paper Plate Apples, using small sized plates,



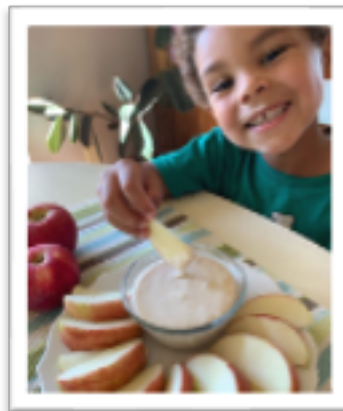
plates, construction paper and paint. You can glue real apple seeds to the center.

Sing Along: Count apples with the Learning Station
[youtube.com/WayUpHigh](https://www.youtube.com/WayUpHigh)

Cooking with Kids: Apple Tasting Tray

Apple cutters are a very fun tool for kids to use. If you don't have one, you can cut the apples in wedges yourself.

Choose several kinds of apples from the store, preferably with cool names. On a large paper plate or sheet of paper, write the names next to apple wedges. Sample to choose your favorite, then combine with dips & sides



Ingredients:

- 4-5 different apple varieties, cut in wedges
- Yummy sides & dips: honey, peanut butter, cheddar cheese, caramel dip, yogurt, nuts & raisins honey

Ideas from your Neighbors

Shared by Hyde Parkers and UChicago families via various community listservs

Marketplaces

Stuff: sometimes we need it, sometimes we want it gone. Here's some help.

- UChicago Marketplace Sponsored by UChicago Maroon, they just got back up and running after a "re-build."
marketplace.chicagomaroon.com
- StudentParent Market: Moderated by the FRC and dedicated to all things family-related. Subscribe at lists.uchicago.edu/web/info/studentparentmarket
- University Church Rummage Sale: On the corner of 57th & University Ave, the first Friday and Saturday of the month. They always have great toys and household items.
- The Tool Library: a parent recently told us about this great resource, with various household, kitchen, craft, yard tools available to borrow. There's just an annual membership fee, which is pay-what-you-can.
chicagotoollibrary.org

Thanksgiving at the FRC

The College is closed (and therefore so are we) the entire week of Thanksgiving, Nov 21-27. But before we say goodbye, come join us for a special Pumpkin Pie themed Story Hour Thursday, Nov. 17 from 3:45-5 pm. We will share some stories about Thanksgiving and Pies, then make a pie craft and sample real pies. Let Lizanne know you're coming so we have enough pie!

Thanksgiving Day Parade

On Thanksgiving, Thursday Nov, 24, 8-11 a.m. The parade goes along State Street, from Ida B. Wells to Randolph.

chicagothanksgivingparade.com



Pumpkin Picking

In addition to the Apple Picking Farms on Pg. 1, there are some great pumpkin options nearby, too! Many have corn mazes, tractor rides, etc. chicagoparent.com/things-to-do/outdoors/pumpkin-patches



Music Lessons

Suzuki string (violin, viola and cello) lessons are a perennial favorite for Hyde Park families. They have new, permanent digs at the Hyde Park Neighborhood Center.
southsidesuzuki.com

Helping Others: Market Box

Help with somebody else's holiday meal. This great local organizations connects local farmers with local families in need, and delivers boxes of fresh produce. marketboxchi.org If you have a car, they seek delivery agents monthly and bi-monthly.

We are thankful for you!

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