# Friendship International



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### AMERICAN AUTUMN

Is this your first Fall (or Autumn) in the United States? The whole season seems to have taken on a cultural identity of its own. Why are Americans so obsessed with Fall? Let's go over some reasons why Fall is a beloved season here in the U.S.

- Fall foliage: As the trees begin to change color, we will be treated to a beautiful display of vibrant red, orange, and yellow leaves.
- Cooler weather: After a hot and humid summer, the cooler air is refreshing and ideal for outdoor activities.
- **Seasonal foods:** Enjoy delicious pumpkin spice treats, apple cider, caramel apples, hearty soups and more.
- Halloween celebrations: Costumes, trick-ortreating, and festive decorations are fun for kids and adults. We'll share more tips about what to expect on Halloween in our next newsletter.
- **Thanksgiving:** This U.S. holiday in late November is a time for family, friends, gratitude, and a traditional meal. We will all get to enjoy a Thanksgiving feast at Friendship next month!
- Orchards and festivals: Apple and pumpkin picking, corn mazes, hayrides, and craft fairs are popular this time of year. Our trip to the orchard next week will give you a classic Fall experience!
- Football season: American football is likely the most popular sport in our country. From little kids through high school, universities and professional teams, there is a lot of football to cheer for!
- Cozy clothing: Some people like to call this "sweater weather." The cooler air allows us to bring out our coziest clothing.
- Bonfires and s'mores: Gather round a bonfire to roast some marshmallows and add chocolate and graham crackers to make a s'more treat. Everyone enjoys sitting around a warm fire, talking and laughing.

Did this make you more excited to enjoy Fall in the United States? We hope you'll try something new!



#### **UPCOMING DATES**

October 11 Doctors and Your Rights

October 18 Field Trip to Eckert's Orchard

(be there by 9AM!)

October 25 Extended Classes (No Program)

October 31 Halloween

November 1 US Election Process with

special speaker Tina Wei Smith

## COMIC SURGE AT JESSAMINE LIBRARY

Jessamine County Public Library 600 S. Main St., Nicholasville

Saturday, October 12th 10 AM to 5 PM

The event is free, but there will be some vendors selling items.



Is someone in your family a comic book fan or a superhero enthusiast?

The Jessamine County Public Library is holding their 8th annual Comic Surge this weekend in nearby Nicholasville. This is a fun, well-attended community event.

Meet your favorite characters and superheroes, wander down Vendor Alley, indulge in delicious snacks, and show off your costume in the professionally judged costume contest, or participate in the Super Smash Bros tournament.

Click here to learn more and for the full schedule of events

# KET: SUPER SATURDAY



Kids and parents are invited to this a free family event hosted by local TV station, KET, where you can experience virtualreality headsets; meet PBS KIDS characters Clifford, Buddy the Dinosaur and Donkey Hodie; enjoy hands-on learning activities with community partner booths and more!

- When: Saturday, October 19th from 9 AM- 2 PM
- Where: KET at 600 Cooper Drive, Lexington
- Registration: This event is free but reservations are encouraged using the form at the link below
- Parking: Parking is free in the GREEN LOT/Gate 1 at Kroger Field.

Click here to learn more and register (for free)



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