Fort Nisqually
To Educators,

Welcome to Fort Nisqually Living History Museum. What you will be seeing during your visit is a reconstruction of Fort Nisqually as it looked in the year 1855. The original location for the fort was 16 miles south of its present day location in Point Defiance Park, nearer to the town of Steilacoom. During the 1930s, the forts last two standing buildings were moved to their present day site in the park.

- The following facts about Fort Nisqually will be a good start in helping your young students come away with a clearer view of the Fort.
- Fort Nisqually was a business built by the British owned and operated Hudson's Bay Company, it was not a military fort.
- Fort Nisqually was the first permanent non-Native settlement to be established on the Puget Sound.
- Fort Nisqually contains two wooden buildings that are amongst the oldest in the state of Washington.
- Fort Nisqually was a place where Europeans and Native Americans lived with each other as neighbors.

We hope that your visit to Fort Nisqually will bring history to life for your students and that you will return to enjoy the many upcoming special events that we have throughout the year.
Please color and bring to Fort Nisqually.