

SUMMER CAMPS

2022

Registration opens
Saturday March 12, 2022
at 8:00 AM



Nature Nuts

Monday, June 13 - Friday, June 17

9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. or 1:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Members: \$70 Nonmembers: \$80 (Free for ECASD)
Grades K-1

Nature Nuts is designed to encourage the inherent curiosities of young nature-lovers. Daily activities are geared towards discovery of the natural world. Adventures may include things like adopting a tree, meeting a Rock Wizard, searching for the elusive pieces of the rainbow, and making creative art projects. (Morning or afternoon session)



Sprouts

Monday, June 13 - Friday, June 17

9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. or 1:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Members: \$70 Nonmembers: \$80 (Free for ECASD)
Grades 2-3

Sprouts are given opportunities to expand their knowledge of our natural world. Programs rotate every two years; one year, Sprouts uncover details about animal groups, and the other year, Sprouts explore new worlds through habitat study. Whether knee deep in a stream or hiking through our forest communities, Sprouts develop a basis for a lifetime of nature appreciation. (Morning or afternoon session)



Saplings

Monday, June 13 - Friday, June 17

9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. or 1:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Members: \$70 Nonmembers: \$80 (Free for ECASD)
Grades 4-6

Whether they are panning for gold or hunting for frogs, Saplings enjoy getting their feet muddy as they investigate the forest, prairie, stream, and pond habitats of Beaver Creek Reserve. These hands-on investigations give Saplings an exciting, up-close look at the natural world during their weeklong exploration. (Morning or afternoon session)



R is for Reptile

Thursday, July 7

9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. - ECASD ONLY

Members: \$30, Nonmembers: \$40 (Free for ECASD)
Grades K-1

This camp is perfect for any child who is fascinated with animals and learning more about them. We will learn about Wisconsin reptiles, meet some of the reptiles living here at the Nature Center, and take to the trails to look for reptiles that call Beaver Creek Reserve home.



Soaring Scientists

Tuesday, July 19 - ECASD ONLY

Wednesday, July 20

8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Members: \$30, Nonmembers: \$40 (Free for ECASD)
Grades 5-7

Have you ever wondered what is singing in your backyard? Campers will enjoy a day becoming an ornithologist, learning about what they might see at home and the sounds that birds make. As we investigate our winged friends, we'll get to discover Beaver Creek's banding program, and meet our feathered ambassadors! Highly encourage bringing binoculars, Beaver Creek has limited supplies.



Outdoor Water Adventures

Tuesday, July 26 - ECASD ONLY

Wednesday, July 27 - ECASD ONLY

9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Free for ECASD

Grades 7-8

Campers will spend part of the day kayaking at Coon Fork Park. All levels are welcome as we help new kayakers learn and put everyone's skills to the test. The other part of the day will be spent learning about some of Wisconsin's fish and trying our hand at catching them. All equipment will be provided. *Lunch provided*



Budding Butterflies

Wednesday, July 13

Thursday, August 4

9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
1:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. - ECASD ONLY

Members: \$30, Nonmembers: \$40 (Free for ECASD)
Grades K-2

Butterflies are magical creatures that capture the heart and imagination of nearly everyone that sees them flying about the garden. This camp is designed for the young lepidopterist (butterfly scientist), ages 5 to 7 years old. Join us as we learn about the magic of the butterfly life cycle, go butterfly catching, try to be kissed by a butterfly, and learn about a few of our local butterfly species.



Waterfalls and Butterflies

Thursday, July 21 - ECASD ONLY

9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Free for ECASD

Grades 4-6

Prepare for a day of exploring. For half of the day, campers will walk the 3.5 mile (round trip) trail from Beaver Creek Reserve to Big Falls. As they hike, campers will learn about some of the native plants and experience the woods in summer. At Big Falls, they will get different views of the falls and explore Wisconsin "tidal pools." For the other half of the day, campers will have the opportunity to learn about butterflies, experience the caterpillar lab first-hand, walk among butterflies in the Butterfly House, and try their hand at catching butterflies. *Lunch provided*



Creepy Crawlers of Beaver Creek

Wednesday, August 3

Tuesday, August 9

9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

1:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. - ECASD ONLY

Members: \$20, Nonmembers: \$30 (Free for ECASD)
Grades 3-5

Beaver Creek Reserve is full of amazing creatures, but this camp will allow us to take a closer look at the creepy critters we might not always see and the ones that sometimes give us a fright! Campers will spend time outdoors learning why worms, macroinvertebrates, and other creepy crawlies are so important to Beaver Creek.



Butterfly Camp

Thursday, July 14

Tuesday, August 2

9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
1:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. - ECASD ONLY

Members: \$30, Nonmembers: \$40 (Free for ECASD)
Grades 3-5

Learn about the wonderful world of butterflies and flowers this summer here at the Reserve. Campers will be able to catch and identify native Wisconsin butterflies and get up close to a butterfly's life cycle by witnessing each stage! Campers will help release newly emerged butterflies into the Reserve's butterfly house. In addition, this hands-on day camp will include crafting butterfly art and playing butterfly games!



ECASD Partnership: The summer camps listed as ECASD ONLY above are offered and funded through our partnership with the Eau Claire Area School District, and are for ECASD students only. **Must have ECASD student ID number to register.**

Busing: Transportation to and from Beaver Creek Reserve will be available for all ECASD ONLY summer camps.

Buses will be departing from and returning to, the Boys and Girls Club located at 1005 Oxford Ave. Families do not need to be members of the Boys and Girls Club to participate. Buses will depart 30 minutes prior to the start of camp and return 30 minutes after the end of the camp.

****Please indicate whether or not you will be utilizing transportation for camps during registration.**