

Norcross Wildlife Sanctuary
2016—2017
Environmental Education Field Trips

Our school field trip programs offer teachers a unique opportunity to supplement their science curricula with hands on activities for exploring the environment with children.

There is no charge for any program offered. **RESERVATIONS are REQUIRED.**

Our classes book quickly so be sure to schedule early.

A maximum of 50 students is advisable for any one group. One chaperone to every 9 students is appreciated

2016 September 13 — October 14 **NATURE HIKE**

Many different habitats are found on the Norcross Wildlife Sanctuary. Students will explore these different ecosystems by enjoying a hike along our trail system.

2016 October 18 — November 23 **ECOSYSTEMS**

This program explores the need for a balanced ecosystem which includes the water cycle. Each student will create a "mini-ecosystem" in the form of a Woodland Terrarium. It is required that each participant bring a clean, clear container large enough to fit their hand into to complete the project.

2016 December **NATURES ENGINEERS**

What is an engineer? During our power point presentation students will meet animal engineers and see how the structures they build are designed to help them raise their young, survive the winter, store food, or escape predators.

2017 January 3 — January 20 **STARS & CONSTELLATIONS**

Discover the wonders of the Solar System. Planets, comets and NASA satellite missions will highlight the presentation. Examine ways to navigate the night sky and identify the five circumpolar constellations. A sundial and constellation projector will be created during the workshop. Each student must bring a clean "pringles" can.

2017 January 25 — February 28 BLUEBIRD NEST BOX BUILDING

Learn some carpentry skills and then put your project to a good cause-helping our native Eastern Bluebird. With the assistance of NWS Staff, you will build your own Bluebird Nest Box. This program is also offered to families, scouts, and misc. groups on Saturdays throughout February and March.

2017 March ANIMAL DETECTIVES

Who left those tracks? What made that sound? We live in a world of wonder, so let's use some of our senses and explore. Students will make their own plaster casting of an animal print.

2017 April WELCOME BIRDS

This program will emphasize some of our resident birds and local habitats. We will discuss methods of attracting birds as well as practice measuring techniques to identify what birds live in certain nest boxes.

2017 May WILDLIFE GARDEN

Wildlife has many challenges. Explore what wildlife needs in order to survive and what we can do to help our backyard pollinators, birds, insects and more. Students will bring home seeds that they've planted to further their learning.

2017 June SPRING NATURE WALK

Explore our Sanctuary trails and observe some of our flora and fauna. Nature journaling and habitat ID are part of the workshop.



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