Norcross Wildlife Sanctuary
School Program Schedule
2022-2023

There is no charge for any program. Materials are provided unless specified. When scheduling a program inquire about additional materials that may be needed for some of the workshops. **Reservations Required: 413-245-1353**

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

**FALL NATURE WALK  (October 2022)**

The Norcross Wildlife Sanctuary trails have many habitats to explore. Take a guided nature walk that will venture through trees, meadows and around streams and ponds. We will create an autumn journal checklist to record nature sightings. Dress according to the weather.

**ECOSYSTEMS  (November 1—December 9 2022)**

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 terrarium. It is required that each participant bring a clean, clear container large enough to fit their hand into to complete the project. Teachers-please bring boxes to transport projects back to school.

**BIRDS IN WINTER  (December 13 — January 20)**

This program explores migration, winter hardships, how nature provides for wintering birds, and the rewards of having a feeding station. Students will build a “block” feeder to help their feathered friends this season. All materials provided. Teachers please bring boxes to transport projects.
BAT HOUSE BUILDING  (January 24—February 24  2023)
People can help bats by building a bat house to promote where they can raise their young. Participants should be at least 8 years of age for this program. All materials are provided.

ANIMAL TRACKS & SIGNS  (March 14 — April 14)
Become more aware of our natural surroundings by recognizing some common animal tracks and signs. All participants will make a plaster cast of an animal track. Materials are provided. Teachers please bring boxes to transport projects.

WILDLIFE GARDEN & SPRING NATURE WALK (April 25 — June 2023)
Wildlife has many challenges. Learn how we can do to help our backyard pollinators. Students will plant seeds to take home and start their own wildlife habitat. We will explore The Norcross Wildlife Trails and create a nature journal. Teachers please bring boxes to transport projects.