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2023 Summer Camps

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Summer Camps

**Baker Park Reserve**

**Maple Plain**

**BAKER OUTDOOR LEARNING CENTER**

**Family Overnight Camp**
*Ages: All* Stay overnight in a rustic log cabin with your family. Try summer camp activities such as archery, canoeing, nature programs, campfire cooking and crafts, or spend time relaxing on your own. Meals are on your own and cooked at outdoor grill sites. Camp activity equipment, advice, firewood and cooking/eating utensils provided. Maximum one cabin per family (maximum eight people). Registration required by one week prior. $235 plus tax per cabin. #5BLC0090

**June 24 – 27, Friday – Monday**
**July 21 – 23, Friday – Sunday**
**August 18 – 20, Friday – Sunday**

**Grandparents and Grandkids Overnight Camp**
*Ages: All* Spend two nights in a rustic log cabin making memories with your grandchildren (up to eight people per cabin). Join naturalist-led activities such as nature programs, archery, canoeing and crafts, or spend time relaxing on your own. All meals included. Maximum three children per grandparent. This camp is for grandparents and grandkids — parents get time at home! Registration required by one week prior. $275 plus tax per cabin. #5BLC0050

**July 5 – 7, Wednesday – Friday**
**August 13 – 15, Tuesday – Thursday**
**August 15 – 17, Tuesday – Thursday**

**Wilderness I Camp**
*Ages: 9 – 11* Get a taste of the time-honored tradition that is summer camp. Enjoy classic camp activities such as canoeing, crafts and campfires. Build forts, fires and friendships while exploring the woods. Make memories that last a lifetime! Extended care available for $48; drop-off begins at 8 a.m. and pick-up ends at 5 p.m. Registration required by one week prior. $200. #5BLC0305

**July 10 – 13, Monday – Thursday**
**August 7 – 10, Monday – Thursday**

**Fire, Food and Forts Camp**
*Ages: 10 – 14* Join us for a week of practicing wilderness survival skills! Just like in your favorite survival show, we will learn how to make fire in creative ways, build epic forts, then make some scrumptious campfire meals. After this camp, you’ll practically be ready to be in the woods! Extended care available for $48; drop-off begins at 8 a.m. and pick-up ends at 5 p.m. Reservations required by one week prior. $238. #5BLC0300

**June 26 – 29, Monday – Thursday**

**Archery and the Outdoors Camp**
*Ages: 10 – 14* Take your archery skills to the next level! Learn proper techniques when using different types of bows and get tips from certified archery instructors. Play games from the Explore Archery program and participate in an archery tournament. Practice your survival skills, go canoeing and more. All equipment provided. Designed for beginning to intermediate archers. Extended care available for $48; drop-off begins at 8 a.m. and pick-up ends at 5 p.m. Registration required by one week prior. $200. #5BLC0305

**July 10 – 13, Monday – Thursday**

**Outdoor Maker Camp**
*Ages: 10 – 14* Put your hands and brains to work, making and creating. Building skills including beginner wood carving, campfire cooking, knots and lashing, and more. Experiment and explore while creating your own art with natural materials. Try out other outdoor activities like geocaching and canoeing. All materials provided. Extended care available for $48; drop-off begins at 8 a.m. and pick-up ends at 5 p.m. Registration required by one week prior. $299. #5BLG0050

**July 17 – 20, Monday – Thursday**

**Outdoor Science Camp**
*Ages: 10 – 14* Spend the week doing science with the great outdoors as your laboratory! You’ll spend your time catching critters and exploring habitats around Baker Outdoor Learning Center. Finish off the week by designing and carrying out your own field investigation. All equipment provided. Extended care available for $48; drop-off begins at 8 a.m. and pick-up ends at 5 p.m. Reservations required by one week prior. $299. #5BLC0300

**August 7 – 10, Monday – Thursday**

**Firearms Safety Camp: Forkhorn I Camp**
*Ages: 11 – 15* Gain extensive firearms safety instruction and earn your Minnesota DNR Firearms Safety Certificate while exploring the world of bird hunting. Learn pheasant and turkey ecology, as well as hunting tips and techniques. Shoot a shotgun and .22 at a local gun range. Try canoeing, archery, survival skills and more. Designed for beginning hunters who do not have their firearms safety certification. Run by DNR-certified firearms safety instructors. All equipment provided. Scholarships may be available; for information, call 763.694.7856. Sponsored by the Northwest Suburban Chapter of Pheasants Forever and National Wild Turkey Federation. Friday location will be at the Delano Sportsman Club. Campers will be assigned a three-hour range timeslot and will need to provide their own transportation. Extended care available Monday–Thursday for $48; drop-off begins at 8 a.m. and pick-up ends at 5 p.m. Reservations required by one week prior. $275. #5BLC0507

**July 31 – August 4, Monday – Friday**
**9 a.m. – 4 p.m.**

**Firearms Safety Camp: Bird Hunting Day Camp**
*Ages: 11 – 15* Gain extensive hands-on firearms safety instruction and earn your Minnesota DNR Firearms Safety Certificate while exploring the world of bird hunting. Learn pheasant and turkey ecology, as well as hunting tips and techniques. Shoot a shotgun and .22 at a local gun range. Try canoeing, archery, survival skills and more. Designed for beginning hunters who do not have their firearms safety certification. Run by DNR-certified firearms safety instructors. All equipment provided. Scholarships may be available; for information, call 763.694.7856. Sponsored by the Northwest Suburban Chapter of Pheasants Forever and National Wild Turkey Federation. Friday location will be at the Delano Sportsman Club. Campers will be assigned a three-hour range timeslot and will need to provide their own transportation. Extended care available Monday–Thursday for $48; drop-off begins at 8 a.m. and pick-up ends at 5 p.m. Reservations required by one week prior. $275. #5BLC0507

**July 31 – August 4, Monday – Friday**
**9 a.m. – 4 p.m.**

**Family Firearms Safety Camp**
*Ages: 11* Earn a Minnesota DNR firearms safety certificate while camping overnight with friends or family. Learn safe firearms handling, hunter ethics and education, wildlife management and more. Camp in a big cabin, try geocaching, archery and other activities, and shoot 22s at a gun range. You will need to transport yourself to the gun range on Sunday. All meals and equipment provided. Maximum six children per adult (cabin sleeps 8). Run by DNR-certified firearms safety instructors. Reservations required by one week prior. $355 plus tax per cabin. #5BLC0200

**July 21 – 23, Friday – Sunday**
**1 p.m. – 11 a.m.**

**Wilderness II Camp with an Overnight Stay**
*Ages: 12 – 14* Take classic camp activities to the next level! We’ll hike deeper into the woods, canoe farther on the lake and learn advanced camping skills like backcountry cooking, advanced wayfinding and how to make a shelter so good that you’ll want to sleep in it (and you may even get the chance to!). Join us for a week full of enhanced wilderness adventure culminating in a one-night campground Wednesday night at a nearby group camp. Gear will be provided. Extended care available Monday–Friday and $36; drop-off begins at 8 a.m. and pick-up ends at 5 p.m. Registration required by one week prior. $295. #5BLG100

**July 24 – 27, Monday – Thursday**
**9 a.m. – 4 p.m.**
**Monday – Tuesday**
**9 a.m. – 4 p.m.**

**Bryant Lake Regional Park**

**Paddle Palooza**
*Ages: 10 – 12* Spend your days on and in the water! Build skills, go on adventures and play games while paddleboarding, kayaking, log rolling and canoeing. No previous experience required. Reservations required by two weeks prior. $113. #5REC5700

**June 19 – 22, Monday – Thursday**
**9 a.m. – 12 p.m.**
**June 19 – 22, Monday – Thursday**
**11 a.m. – 3 p.m.**
**July 10 – 13, Monday – Thursday**
**9 a.m. – 12 p.m.**

**Introduction to Fishing Camp**
*Ages: 10 – 12* Learn about fishing equipment and how to safely handle a pole and fish. Identify Minnesota fish and learn about their habitats. Get hooked on fishing! Equipment provided. Registration required by two weeks prior. $113. #5REC5400

**July 24 – 27, Monday – Thursday**
**9 a.m. – 12 p.m.**
**July 24 – 27, Monday – Thursday**
**11 a.m. – 1 p.m.**

**Awesome Outdoors Camp**
*Ages: 10 – 12* Try a variety of outdoor recreation activities while making new friends. Activities may include canoeing, geocaching, log rolling, circuit run, other awesome outdoor fun. Registration required by two weeks prior. $226. #5REC6030

**July 31 – August 3, Monday – Thursday**
**9 a.m. – 4 p.m.**

**Paddle Palooza Camp for Teens**
*Ages: 13 – 15* Spend your days on and in the water! Build skills, go on adventures and play games while paddleboarding, kayaking, log rolling and canoeing. No previous experience required. Registration required by two weeks prior. $113. #5REC5701

**July 10 – 13, Monday – Thursday**
**11 a.m. – 1 p.m.**

**Hunters Association. Reservations required by one week prior. $226. #5REC5701**

**July 24 – 27, Monday – Thursday**
**9 a.m. – 12 p.m.**

**Paddle Palooza Camp for Teens**
*Ages: 13 – 15* Spend your days on and in the water! Build skills, go on adventures and play games while paddleboarding, kayaking, log rolling and canoeing. No previous experience required. Registration required by two weeks prior. $113. #5REC5701

**July 10 – 13, Monday – Thursday**
**11 a.m. – 1 p.m.**
Archery Camp
Ages: 10–12
Shoot a compound bow, learn range safety and develop proper technique. Get tips to shoot proficiently from various distances. Develop primitive hunting techniques and challenge yourself with shooting games. Equipment provided. Registration required by two weeks prior. $206. #5REC0003
June 29–22, Monday–Thursday
9 a.m.–12 p.m.
July 10–13, Monday–Thursday
9 a.m.–12 p.m.
Archery Camp for Teens
Ages: 13–16
Shoot long, recurve and compound bows. Develop and refine proper technique. Get tips to shoot proficiently from various distances. Various shooting positions from a low, middle and elevated platform. Primitive hunting techniques and challenges to help train for future hunting games. Equipment provided. Registration required by two weeks prior. $206. #5REC0002
June 29–22, Monday–Thursday
1–4 p.m.
Introduction to Archery Camp
Ages: 10–14
Shoot a compound bow, learn range safety and develop proper technique. Get tips to shoot proficiently from various distances. Practice the skills of living in this enchanted woods building shelters, canoing and more. Equipment provided. Registration required by two weeks prior. $113. #5REC5011
July 10–13, Monday–Thursday
9 a.m.–12 p.m.
LOWRY NATURE CENTER
Speak for the Trees Camp
Ages: 10–13
Learn to make a difference if they care. Explore the outdoor world and the creatures living there. Discover how to speak for trees and creatures of the forest. This is a great camp for young who care an awful lot. Registration required by two weeks prior. $54. #5LNC1110
July 17–20, Monday–Thursday
9:30 a.m.–12 p.m.
Hungry Caterpillar Camp
Ages: 4–6
Each day’s adventures begin with a story by Eric Carle and illustrated by his wife, the artist, “The Very Hungry Caterpillar,” by Dr. Seuss (Grinch), and “The Very Busy Spider.” Stories are followed by nature exploration looking for caterpillars and other animal information mentioned in the books. Creative games, songs and an art project to bring home make this an excellent time of fun and learning. Registration required by two weeks prior. #5LNC5250
June 26–29, Monday–Thursday
9:30 a.m.–12 p.m.
Crippler Water Camp
Ages: 6–10
Explore animals and their awesome crippler powers. Experience different habitats during animal investigations and challenges. Observe live animals and learn about the adaptations that inspire your own crippler powers. Adventure through the world of animals, making stops along the way in the realms of the mammals, reptiles, amphibians, birds and more! Registration required by two weeks prior. #5LNC5220
July 17–20, Monday–Thursday
9:30 a.m.–12 p.m.
Fairies and Gnomes Camp
Ages: 4–5
Join a band of brave and bold who dare to explore distant lands! Follow unmarked paths, paddle a canoe, decipher a map and learn the tricks of history’s most celebrated explorers. Bikes will be required for one day of camp. Extended care available for $48; drop-off begins at 8:30 a.m. and pick-up ends at 5 p.m. Registration required by two weeks prior. $206. #5LNC1505
August 14–17, Monday–Thursday
9:30 a.m.–12 p.m.
Nature Art Camp
Ages: 8–11
Discover nature through drawing and painting. Learn with color, art materials made in nature and your camera to take great photos. Supplies and equipment provided. Extended care available for $48; drop-off begins at 8:30 a.m. and pick-up ends at 5 p.m. Registration required by two weeks prior. $206. #5LNC4025
July 10–13, Monday–Thursday
9 a.m.–3 p.m.
LOWRY Lumberjacks Camp
Ages: 8–11
TIMBER! Discover the world of Paul Bunyan and experience the wonders of the forest. Learn to landscape a canoe and take a paddle on a friendly Labor Day. Wrap up the camp, use a saw, identify trees, start a cooking fire, hone your aim with an ax throwing and see what being a sayer is all about. Extended care available for $48; drop-off begins at 8:30 a.m. and pick-up ends at 5 p.m. Registration required by two weeks prior. $206. #5LNC1517
July 24–27, Monday–Thursday
9 a.m.–3 p.m.
Goodrich School of Wizards and Witches Camp
Ages: 8–11
Young wizards and witches get ready to enter a world where things are not as they seem! Learn the secret arts of herbology, potions, astronomy, mysterious creatures and more! Craft your own wand, play games and prepare for a wild ride of fantasy nature adventures while exploring our magical world. Extended care available for $48; drop-off begins at 8:30 a.m. and pick-up ends at 5 p.m. Registration required by two weeks prior. $206. #5LNC7105
August 7–10, Monday–Thursday
9 a.m.–3 p.m.
Treecrojo Camp
Ages: 8–11
It has come to our attention that there is treasure hidden somewhere in Treecrojo. Come along as we dive back into the game in search of clues that will help us find it. Will our intrepid forest friends, puzzle together puzzles in the privacy and travel across water in canoes to find hidden messages. All the while dodging whatever challenges and characters the game throwes at us. Will we find the treasure? Will we escape the game? Join us and find out! Extended care available for $48; drop-off begins at 8:30 a.m. and ends at 5 p.m. Registration required by two weeks prior. $206. #5LNC5230
August 14 – 17, Monday – Thursday
9:30 a.m.–3 p.m.
Young Birders Field Camp
Ages: 9–12
Calling all Young Birders! Come spend your days outdoors looking for interesting and elusive birds on the world’s greatest treasure hunt! Learn how to find birds, use binoculars, visit an osprey nest, check out cool technology, and capture, tag and release birds when opportunities arise. If you’re new to birds, this is the camp for you. Camp participants will become members of The Three Rivers Young Birders Club and will be able to attend free monthly events for a year following camp. Extended care available for $48; drop-off begins at 8:30 a.m. and ends at 5 p.m. Registration required by two weeks prior. $206. #5LNC5230
August 14 – 17, Monday – Thursday
9:30 a.m.–3 p.m.
Autism Outdoors Camp
Ages: 9–12
Explore the forest, pond and prairie habitats! Build a survival shelter with other campers. Start a campfire using different techniques and make a s’more. Meet our resident naturalists! Gain skills to navigate and overcome obstacles in the forest. Make friends with our gaga ball, bungee jumping, obstacle course during safe, off-trail adventures away from the comforts of home. Participants must be able to demonstrate self-care skills, follow adult direction and safety rules, and show readiness for large group participation, including remaining with the group. Co-taught with Autism Society of Minnesota (AusMin) educators. For guideline information and to learn about AusMin, visit ausmin.org. This program is entirely outdoors. Registration required by two weeks prior. $80. #5LNC4220
July 11 – 14, Tuesday–Friday
1–3 p.m.
Carver Park Reserve Victoria
Creatures of Carver Park Reserve Camp
Ages: 6–9
Many animals call Carver Park Reserve home, yet we see so few. Unlock the mysteries of animal tracks and other clues hidden in the park. Deeply dig into the world of canines, shed some light on the nocturnal animals and crawl around looking for the creepy ones hiding in the tallgrass prairie. Registration required by two weeks prior. $206. #5LNC4210
June 12–15, Monday–Thursday
9:30 a.m.–3 p.m.
ForestRotor’s Unexpected Journey Camp
Ages: 9–12
Take an unexpected journey and visit a fantastical land where you will talk to the trees, meet magical creatures and maybe even stumble upon a quest. Practice the skills of living in this enchanted woods building shelters, canoing and more. Extended care available for $48; drop-off begins at 8:30 a.m. and pick-up ends at 5 p.m. Registration required by two weeks prior. #5LNC1105
June 26–29, Monday–Thursday
9 a.m.–3 p.m.
Outdoor Skills and Shelters Camp
Ages: 9–12
Construct shelters with branches, leaves, tarps and more! Learn basic fire-building and knot-tying skills. Play hide-and-seek and camouflage games to challenge your observation skills while discovering animal homes and habitats. Extended care available for $48; drop-off begins at 8:30 a.m. and pick-up ends at 5 p.m. Registration required by two weeks prior. #5LNC1505
July 10–13, Monday–Thursday
9:30 a.m.–3 p.m.
Gnome’s Camp
Ages: 4–5
Join a band of brave and bold who dare to explore distant lands! Follow unmarked paths, paddle a canoe, decipher a map and learn the tricks of history’s most celebrated explorers. Bikes will be required for one day of camp. Extended care available for $48; drop-off begins at 8:30 a.m. and pick-up ends at 5 p.m. Registration required by two weeks prior. $206. #5LNC2520
July 17–20, Monday–Thursday
9:30 a.m.–12 p.m.
Pirates of Carver Park Reserve Camp
Ages: 6–9
A deal has been struck and now the favor is being called. Join Carver Park Reserve as we weigh our sworn enemy in a quest for gold. Follow maps, burn evidence, paddle across open waters and hide throughout the park as we close in on the prize. Who will we run into along the way? Who will attempt to double cross us? No one can be trusted when everyone is a pirate! A pirate’s life... are you in? Registration required by two weeks prior. $206. #5LNC2520
August 21–24, Monday–Thursday
9:30 a.m.–3 p.m.
Fort and Fire Mini Camp
Ages: 6–11
Construct shelters with branches, leaves, tarps and rope. Learn basic fire-building. Play camouflage games to challenge your skills while discovering animal homes and habitats. Registration required by two weeks prior. $105. #5LNC5205
July 6–7, Thursday–Friday
9:30 a.m.–3 p.m.
Force of Nature: Space Saga Story Camp
Ages: 8–11
The saga continues! The new darkness rises. The genome needs your help as a part of the next generation of good. Tune into the forces of nature and train for your mission. We’ll make training light swords and go on amazing adventures close in on the prize. Who will we run into along the way? Who will attempt to double cross us? No one can be trusted when everyone is a pirate! A pirate’s life... are you in? Registration required by two weeks prior. #206. #5LNC5205
June 26–29, Monday–Thursday
9:30 a.m.–3 p.m.
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Naturalist in Training Camp
Ages: 11–15
Naturalists are curious people and enjoy learning about nature. See where our curiosity takes us at Carver Reserve. Explore different habitats via canoe and bike. Draw, sketch and take notes of our findings. Go behind the scenes of animal care for Lowry’s reptiles, amphibians and reptiles. Start your journey on becoming a steward for the natural world. Bring a bike to camp. Extended care available for $48; drop-off begins at 8:30 a.m. and pick-up ends at 5 p.m. Registration required by two weeks prior. $256. #5LCN3305
July 31 – August 3, Monday – Thursday 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Advanced Nature Art Camp
Ages: 11–15
Explore nature as an artist with drawing, painting and photography. Of our art adventures will take us near and far: hiking, canoeing, gathering inspiration (and materials) from nature. Try gesture sketches. Paint in watercolor and ink. Use a camera to create engaging photos. Paint the outdoors, meet animals up close and try your hand at art making. Make and take your own art tools. Canoe and be inspired by new scenes. Equipment and supplies provided. Extended care available for $48; drop-off begins at 8:30 a.m. and pick-up ends at 5 p.m. Registration required by two weeks prior. $306. #5LCN4506
August 7 – 10, Monday – Thursday 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Bike, Hike, Fish and Canoe Camp
Ages: 11–15
This action-packed camp keeps you moving every day. Explore around Lowry Nature Center and Carver Park Reserve via boat, pedal and paddle. We’ll find hidden geocaches, paddle a canoe on Lake Aubur, make our own fishing poles, bike to the beach and air campfire, try and try again. Bring your bike and helmet to the park. Extended care available for $48; drop-off begins at 8:30 a.m. and pick-up ends at 5 p.m. Registration required by two weeks prior. $236. #5LCN3400
August 14 – 17, Monday – Thursday 9:30 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Autism Outdoors Camp for Teens
Ages: 13–18
Explore the forest, pond and prairie habitats! Build a survival shelter with other campers. Start a campfire and make friends. Campers must bring their own multi-geared bike in good functioning order and their helmet in good condition each day. Registration required by two weeks prior. $100. #5LNC5215
July 11 – 14, Tuesday – Friday 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

July 31 – August 3, Monday – Thursday 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Introduction to Archery Camp
Ages: 10–14
Shoot a compound bow, learn range safety and develop proper technique. Get tips to shoot proficiently from varying distances. Discover primitive hunting techniques and challenge yourself with shooting games. Equipment provided. Registration required by two weeks prior. $113. #5SCST5000
July 31 – August 3, Monday – Thursday 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.
July 31 – August 3, Monday – Thursday 1 – 4 p.m.

Fishing and Outdoors Camp
Ages: 10–14
Learn about fishing equipment and how to safely handle a pole and fish. Identify Minnesota fish and learn about their habitats. Explore the outdoors while trying canoeing, geocaching, archery and other fun activities. Equipment provided. Registration required by two weeks prior. $225. #5SCST4020
August 21 – 24, Monday – Thursday 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Introduction to Archery Camp
Ages: 10–14
Shoot a compound bow, learn range safety and develop proper technique. Get tips to shoot proficiently from varying distances. Discover primitive hunting techniques and challenge yourself with shooting games. Equipment provided. Registration required by two weeks prior. $113. #5SCST9000
June 26 – 29, Monday – Thursday 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.
June 26 – 29, Monday – Thursday 1 – 4 p.m.

Fly Fishing Camp
Ages: 10–15
Learn the basics of fly fishing equipment, casting skills, knot tying, how to match the hatch, read the water and fly presentation. Develop other fly fishing skills and explore methods and watch demonstrations by professionals in the industry. Equipment provided. Transportation may be provided. Registration required by two weeks prior. $253. #5SCST4145
July 17 – 20, Monday – Thursday 8 a.m. – 2 p.m.

EXTREME FISHING CAMP FOR GIRLS
Ages: 10–15
Meet up at four different parks — Cleary, Bryant, Hyland and The Landing — and learn to fish for different bodies of water in search of various species like panfish, bass, northern pike, walleye, catfish, carp and more! Try different techniques and hone skills while learning from experienced staff and professionals in the fishing industry. Equipment provided. Transportation may be provided. Registration required by two weeks prior. $253. #5SCST4040
August 14 – 17, Monday – Thursday 8 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Paddle Palooza Camp
Ages: 10–12
Paddle your days on and in the water! Build skills, go on adventures and play games while paddleboarding, kayaking, log rolling and canoeing. No previous experience required. Reservations required by two weeks prior. $226. #5SCST1700
July 31 – August 3, Monday – Thursday 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Awesome Outdoors Camp
Ages: 10–12
Try a variety of outdoor recreation activities while making new friends. Activities may include canoeing, geocaching, log rolling and other awesome outdoor fun. Registration required by two weeks prior. $226. #5SCST9210
August 28 – 31, Monday – Thursday 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.
ELM CREEK PARK RESERVE

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Introduction to Archery Camp
Ages: 10–14
Shoot a compound bow, learn range safety and develop proper technique. Get to shoot proficiently from varying distances. Discover primitive hunting techniques and challenge yourself with shooting games. Equipment provided. Registration required by two weeks prior. $85. #5ENC3000
July 5–7, Wednesday–Friday
9 a.m.–3 p.m.

July 5–7, Wednesday–Friday
4–1 p.m.

EASTERN NATURE CENTER

Take a Grown-up to Camp
Ages: 3–5
Explore nature side-by-side with your child. Catch bugs with a net in the pond and Prairie, follow your senses through the woods and search for hidden creatures under logs. Create a treasure box and photo frame with a picture of you and your camper. Meet animal ambassadors, play games and meet new friends. Only ages 3–5, no additional siblings. Registration required by two weeks prior. $105/adult-child pair; $72 additional child. #5ENC1700
August 1–3, Tuesday–Thursday
9–11:30 a.m.

Preschool Nature Explorers Camp
Ages: 4–5
Discover a magnifying glass and go exploring! Hike through woods and fields in search of natural wonders. Dip in the pond and sweep in the prairie to discover insects and other creatures. Observe and take notes, make games and play nature. Registration required by two weeks prior. $37. #5ENC1793
June 20–22, Tuesday–Thursday
9 a.m.–12 p.m.

Reptiles and Amphibians Camp
Ages: 4–6
Discover the animals that swim, walk and sit out in the park. Meet reptile and amphibian ambassadors and learn about them through games, play, art and hikes. Search for food to feed them and learn fascinating facts about their life cycles. Sign up for Host, Hoot, Hooray for Ovals camp for four days of fun. Registration required by two weeks prior. $58. #5ENC1353
July 25–26, Tuesday–Wednesday
9 a.m.–12 p.m.

Hoot, Hoot, Hooray for Owls! Camp
Ages: 4–6
Explore the life of an owl through stories, videos and play. Learn how special owls are and experience what it’s like to be an owl. Practice hunting like an owl and build a nest. Meet our live Great Horned Owl and learn why these birds are important. Sign up for Reptiles and Amphibians Camp for four days of fun. Registration required by two weeks prior. $58. #5ENC1353
July 27–28, Thursday–Friday
9 a.m.–12 p.m.

Fantastic Fairy Adventure Camp
Ages: 4–6
Explore the enchanted forest and hunt for your sparkling wand. Search for dazzling dragonflies, water nymphs and other fairy-sized creatures. Learn about a magical land in search of fairytale mysteries. Create a fairy house. Registration required by two weeks prior. $86. #5ENC1100
August 8–10, Tuesday–Thursday
9 a.m.–12 p.m.

Forest Fun Camp
Ages: 4–8
Learn how to have fun in the woods! Naturalists will teach campers how to create their own adventures, explore the forest and make up their own games to play. From classics like mud pies and poking things with sticks to new adventures, join us to have fun in the forest! Extended care available for $48 per drop-off begins at 8:30 a.m. and pick-up ends at 5 p.m. Registration required by two weeks prior. $226. #5ENC3003
July 31–August 3, Monday–Thursday
9 a.m.–3 p.m.

Superhero Camp
Ages: 6–8
Calling all agents of LOAD to figure out who the mysterious park visitor is causing trouble in Elm Creek Park Reserve. We need help figuring out who they are and what their plan is. This is a great camp for kids who like to use their imagination, learn about nature and participate in group challenges and games. Extended care available for $48; drop-off begins at 8:30 a.m. and pick-up ends at 5 p.m. Registration required by two weeks prior. $226. #5ENC3003
August 15–18, Tuesday–Friday
9 a.m.–3 p.m.

All About Owls Camp
Ages: 6–9
Discover incredible owl adaptations and investigate evidence proving that owls are around Eastern Nature Center through hands-on exploration, games and hikes. Discover an owl’s eyes, meet our live Great Horned Owl and learn why these raptors are so important. $85. #5ENC1340
July 5–7, Wednesday–Friday
9 a.m.–12 p.m.

Grand Camp
Ages: 6–9 plus adult
Does your child have a special adult in their life like a grandparent, aunt or friend? Together, you can share time in the woods learning about nature, meeting our animal ambassadors and building special memories. This is designed for youth and an older adult. Parents get to hear the stories later Registration required by two weeks prior. $105. #5ENC3003
August 29–31, Tuesday–Thursday
9 a.m.–12 p.m.

Nature Explorers Camp
Ages: 4–7
Grab your magnifying glass and let’s go exploring! Hike through the woods and fields searching for creatures that live there. Dip into a pond and sweep in a field for insects and other animals, and meet captive animals that live at the nature center. This is a great sibling camp, divided in groups by age. Extended care available for $48; drop-off begins at 8:30 a.m. and pick-up ends at 5 p.m. Reservations required by two weeks prior. $226. #5ENC1700
June 13–16, Tuesday–Friday
9 a.m.–3 p.m.

Microhobbies and Mini-beasts Camp
Ages: 7–10
Zoom in on all small things small Catch and release in the pond, prairie and woods. Use microscopes and special camera lenses to spy on and record the secret lives of tiny things. Collect the coolest samples for investigation, then create a mini-museum of your favorites. Registration required by two weeks prior. $85. #5ENC3100
August 8–10, Tuesday–Thursday
9 a.m.–12 p.m.

Forts, Fire and Fun Camp
Ages: 7–12
Discover how to survive in the woods. Practice keeping a fire in and build an emergency shelter. Navigate through the forest, learn to overcome obstacles in your path and hone your skills in off-trail trades. This is a great sibling camp, divided into smaller groups by age. Extended care available for $48; drop-off begins at 8:30 a.m. and pick-up ends at 5 p.m. Registration required by two weeks prior. $226. #5ENC3002
July 17–20, Monday–Thursday
9 a.m.–3 p.m.

Nature Art Camp
Ages: 9–11
Unleash your outdoor artist! Create your own paint, practice nature weaving, learn about eco-art and experiment with new art mediums. Families join us for the last half hour of camp for a gallery tour of camper projects. Extended care available for $48; drop-off begins at 8:30 a.m. and pick-up ends at 5 p.m. Registration required by two weeks prior. $169. #5ENC3002
July 26–28, Tuesday–Thursday
9 a.m.–3 p.m.

Out of the Box Science Camp
Ages: 9–12
How can a parachute save a bear? What technology did the Three Rivers use to reintroduce snakes? Use some of the tech and tools used in animal conservation and end the week by engineering a way for an egg, pretending to be a beaver, to survive a giant plummet. Registration required by two weeks prior. $226. #5ENC3150
June 20–23, Tuesday–Friday
9 a.m.–3 p.m.

Geocache Challenge Camp
Ages: 9–12
Learn about the science of GPS and how we can use these tools to find our way and become geocachers! Practice navigation skills, search for hidden geocaches, complete special challenges and create your own caches for others to find. Extended care available for $48; drop-off begins at 8:30 a.m. and pick-up ends at 5 p.m. Registration required by two weeks prior. $169. #5ENC3125
July 11–13, Tuesday–Thursday
9 a.m.–3 p.m.

Off-Trail Adventures Camp
Ages: 9–12
Exploring creeks, making up games in the woods, poking things with sticks — come try out these classic activities off-trail and away from others. Join us as we explore the woods, learn how to create adventures and play games. Extended care available for $48; drop-off begins at 8:30 a.m. and pick-up ends at 5 p.m. Registration required by two weeks prior. $226. #5ENC3040
July 31–August 3, Monday–Thursday
9 a.m.–3 p.m.

Bike and Engineering Camp
Ages: 10–14
Explore some bike trails and secluded spaces in Elm Creek Park Reserve. Learn basic bike care and safety. Find solutions to engineering challenges with other campers. Bike us up to 12 miles daily to different adventures like swimming and exploring the Mississippi River. Designed for riders, not racers or competitive bikers. Thursday pick-up is at another park yet to be determined. Campers must bring their own helmet and multi-geared bike to camp. Registration required by two weeks prior. $226. #5ENC1500
June 26–29, Monday–Thursday
9 a.m.–3 p.m.

The Ecology of Dice and Dragons Camp
Ages: 10–14
Explore the enchanted forest and hunt for your sparkling wand. Search for dazzling dragonflies, water nymphs and other fairy-sized creatures. Leave a message in a bottle to share with other campers. Registration required by two weeks prior. $226. #5ENC3105
July 6–8, Monday–Wednesday
9 a.m.–3 p.m.

RECREATION AREA

Pierre Bottineau’s Wild World Camp
Ages: 10–15
Become a Bottineau! Learn about one of Minnesota’s greatest frontiersmen by exploring the “wilderness” of Elm Creek Park Reserve. Visit Pierre Bottineau’s historic home (1854), build a fire without matches and learn to cook over an open fire when on the trail. Learn to shoot with a bow and arrow, play games to test your skill as a full tracker and maybe meet some of the local wildlife. Become the guide to your own adventure as you learn the outdoor skills that made Pierre Bottineau famous. Registration required by two weeks prior. $170. #5ENC5105
July 10–12, Monday–Wednesday
9 a.m.–3 p.m.

Bike Camp
Ages: 11–14
Explore parks and trails by bike. Adventure through parks and on regional trails, bike handling skills and basic rules of the trail. Campers must bring their own multi-geared bike in good functioning order and their helmet in good condition each day. Registration required by two weeks prior. $170. #5ENC5105
July 10–12, Monday–Wednesday
9 a.m.–3 p.m.

SINGLETRACK TRAIL

Mountain Bike Camp
Ages: 10–15
Discover the basics of singletack riding. Explore the importance of balance, proper riding position and technique through drills and riding both on and off the singletack. Campers must bring their own multi-geared mountain bike in good functioning order and their helmet in good condition each day. Registration required by two weeks prior. $170. #5ENC5100
July 31–August 2, Monday–Wednesday
9 a.m.–3 p.m.

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Fish Lake Regional Park
Maple Grove

Things to Do Before I Grow Up Camp
Ages: 6–9  Make a mud pie, cook over a campfire and search for animals. Paddle on the lake, try geocaching and go on an optional bike adventure. Participants must provide their own bike if they wish to go on the optional adventure (training wheels and balance bikes welcome). Check off adventures on the before-you-grow-up bucket list found at 50things.org.uk. Registration required by two weeks prior. $282. #5REC1731
August 14–18, Monday–Friday  9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Things to Do Before I Grow Up Camp
Ages: 10–15  Make a mud pie, cook over a campfire and search for animals. Paddle on the lake, try geocaching and go on an optional bike adventure (training wheels and balance bikes welcome). Check off adventures on the before-you-grow-up bucket list found at 50things.org.uk. Registration required by two weeks prior. $282. #5REC1730
July 10–14, Monday–Friday  9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Paddle Palooza
Ages: 10–12  Spend your days on and in the water! Build skills, go on adventures and play games while paddleboarding, kayaking, log rolling and canoeing. No previous experience required. Registration required by two weeks prior. $113. #5REC6030
June 26–29, Monday–Thursday  9 a.m. – 12 p.m.
August 21–24, Monday–Thursday  9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Awesome Outdoors Camp
Ages: 10–15  Try a variety of outdoor recreation activities while making new friends. Activities may include canoeing, geocaching, log rolling and other awesome outdoor fun. Registration required by two weeks prior. $226. #5REC6031
August 7–10, Monday–Thursday  9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Fly Fishing Camp
Ages: 10–15  Learn the basics of fly fishing equipment, casting skills, knot tying, how to match the hatch, read the water and fly presentation. Develop other fly fishing skills, explore methods and watch demonstrations by professionals in the industry. Equipment provided. Transportation may be provided. Registration required by two weeks prior. $235. #5REC5411
June 26–29, Monday–Thursday  8 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Adapted Camp for Children with Physical Disabilities
Ages: 10–15  Make new friends while you explore the park and try camp activities like kayaking, archery and geocaching. All equipment provided. Registration required by two weeks prior. $282. #5REC6040
July 24–27, Monday–Thursday  9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Adapted Camp for Children with Cognitive Disabilities
Ages: 8–12  Make new friends while you explore the park and try camp activities like kayaking, archery and geocaching. All equipment provided. Registration required by two weeks prior. $68. #5REC6041
July 26–27, Wednesday–Thursday  9 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Adapted Camp for Children with Cognitive Disabilities
Ages: 10–15  Make new friends while you explore the park and try camp activities like kayaking, archery and geocaching. All equipment provided. Registration required by two weeks prior. $68. #5REC6041
July 26–27, Wednesday–Thursday  1:30–5 p.m.

Paddle Palooza Camp for Teens
Ages: 13–15  Spend your days on and in the water with other teens! Build skills, go on adventures and play games while paddleboarding, kayaking, log rolling and canoeing. No previous experience required. Registration required by two weeks prior. $113. #5REC6041
June 26–29, Monday–Thursday  1–4 p.m.

Awesome Outdoors Camp for Teens
Ages: 13–15  Try a variety of outdoor recreation activities while making new friends. Activities may include canoeing, geocaching, log rolling and other awesome outdoor fun. Registration required by two weeks prior. $226. #5REC6031
August 7–10, Monday–Thursday  9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

French Regional Park
Plymouth

Wildlife Adventures Camp
Ages: 6–10  Join staff from Mississippi Gateway Regional Park to explore and discover what lives in and around the park at French Regional Park. Due to construction at Mississippi Gateway staff, are headed to a new site for 2023 to see how many types of animals they can find! Catch and release small mammals, insects, fish and frogs! Find out about the wildlife in the park while having fun with new friends. Registration required by two weeks prior. $86. #5MGW1200
August 21–25, Monday–Friday  9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Adventure Camp
Ages: 10–12  Are you ready for an adventure? Join staff from Mississippi Gateway Regional Park to explore French Regional Park. French will be the basecamp for archery practice and survival skills. Search for hidden geocaches. Explore areas surrounding the park on bikes. Visit the lake and try your hand at fishing and canoeing. Equipment provided. Registration required by two weeks prior. $282. #5MGW1205
June 12–16, Monday–Friday  9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Introduction to Adventure Camp – 3 Days
Ages: 10–12  This recreation “sampler” camp will introduce campers to a variety of activities while making new friends. Activities may include archery, canoeing, geocaching and other fun adventures. Reservations required by two weeks prior. $86. #5REC4046
July 5–7, Wednesday–Friday  9 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Extreme Fishing Camp
Ages: 10–15  Meet up at four different parks – French, Silverwood, Fish Lake and along the Mississippi River near H-64 – and learn to fish different bodies of water in search of various species like panfish, bass, northern pike, walleye, catfish, carp and more! Try different techniques and hone skills while learning from experienced staff and professionals in the fishing industry. Transportation may be provided. Registration required by two weeks prior. $203. #5REC6045
June 19–22, Monday–Thursday  9 a.m. – 2 p.m.
July 24–27, Monday–Thursday  9 a.m. – 2 p.m.
August 7–10, Monday–Thursday  8 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Introduction to Adventure Camp for Teens
Ages: 13–15  This recreation “sampler” camp will introduce campers to a variety of activities while making new friends. Activities may include archery, canoeing, geocaching and other fun adventures. Reservations required by two weeks prior. $86. #5REC4046
July 5–7, Wednesday–Friday  1–4 p.m.
Farmers in Training (F.I.T.) Camp
Ages: 12–15
Experience the behind-the-scenes world of work on the farm. Gain valuable life skills as you learn the tricks of the trade and assist with daily animal and garden chores. Keep the animals, pastures and gardens thriving by working alongside farmers on a variety of farm projects. Registration required by two weeks prior:

July 11–13, Tuesday–Thursday
August 8–10, Tuesday–Thursday
8 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Hyland Lake Park Reserve
Bloomington

RECREATION AREA

History Kids: Young Minnie on the Minnesota Camp
Ages: 8–12
Bring history to life by following in the footsteps of young Minnie Ellington Tapping, who lived in west Bloomington near the Minnesota River in the late 1800s. Using her personal memoir, “80 Years at the Gopher Hole” as inspiration, do farm chores and churn butter. Spend time in nature painting with watercolors, building with clay and writing poetry. Try on old-fashioned clothes, dip your pen in an inkwell and experience life in the 19th century as you visit real places Minnie highlights in her memoir! Registration required by two weeks prior:

$170. #5LAN1725
Jeune 27–29, Tuesday–Thursday
9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Camping Skills Camp
Ages: 10–12
Discover the skills needed for a comfortable and enjoyable camping experience! Practice selecting and setting up a campsite, cooking over a fire and cooking outdoors. Each day includes a camp-cooked meal or treat. Registration required by two weeks prior:

$170. #5GAL1705
June 26–28, Monday–Wednesday
9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Introduction to Adventure Camp – 4 Days
Ages: 10–12
This recreation “sandbox” camp will introduce campers to a variety of activities while making new friends. Activities may include archery, canoeing, geocaching and other fun adventures. Registration required by two weeks prior:

$170. #5REI405
July 24–27, Monday–Thursday
9 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Fishing and Outdoors Camp
Ages: 10–12
Learn about fishing equipment and how to safely handle a pole and fish. Identify Minnesota fish and learn about their habitats. Explore the outdoors while trying canoeing, geocaching, archery and other fun activities. Equipment provided. Registration required by two weeks prior:

$225. #5REI419
August 7–10, Monday – Thursday
9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Introduction to Adventure Camp for Teens
Ages: 13–15
This recreation “sandbox” camp will introduce campers to a variety of activities while making new friends. Activities may include archery, canoeing, geocaching and other fun adventures. Registration required by two weeks prior:

$113. #5REC4045
July 24–27, Monday – Thursday
1 – 4 p.m.

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Gale Woods Farm
Minnetrista

Farm Discoveries Camp
Ages: 4–5
Discover the wonders of Gale Woods Farm! Sample tasty treats straight out of the gardens, meet the animals, explore the pastures and more. Learn through stories, songs and hands-on activities. Registration required by two weeks prior:

July 11–13, Tuesday–Thursday
9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
July 11–13, Tuesday–Thursday
12:30 – 2:30 p.m.
July 11–13, Tuesday–Thursday
9:30 – 11:30 a.m.
July 11–13, Tuesday–Thursday
12:30 – 2:30 p.m.

Farm Adventures Camp
Ages: 4–5
Venture through the marvels of the farm. Learn about the animals, prepare snacks straight from the gardens and investigate the farm’s natural areas through insect hunts, art projects and games. Registration required by two weeks prior:

$174. #5GAL2405
June 20–22, Tuesday–Thursday
9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Farm Explorers Camp
Ages: 7–9
Explore the barn and beyond with hands-on activities, hikes and games. Each day we’ll trek to visit the animals, harvest from the gardens and uncover a new secret of life on the farm. Registration required by two weeks prior:

$226. #5GAL2410
June 27–29, Tuesday–Thursday
9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Lively Livestock Camp
Ages: 7–9
Walk in the boot steps of a farmer to experience caring for the animals. Learn how we raise healthy livestock while you assist, learn and participate in hands on activities to discover what each animal gives back to us. Registration required by two weeks prior:

$236. #5GAL1310
August 22–25, Tuesday–Friday
9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Farm Quest Camp
Ages: 9–11
Journey through the farm to examine the people, place and time of the farm. Each day a new mission awaits! Quests include farm chores, cooking snacks straight from the garden, farm crafts and exploring beyond the barn. Registration required by two weeks prior:

$226. #5GAL2430
June 27–29, Tuesday–Friday
9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Field to Fork Camp
Ages: 9–11
Trace the route your food follows from our fields to your fork! Prepare fresh recipes with ingredients harvested directly from the gardens and from the farm. Become stewards of the land as you learn what it takes to grow fruits and vegetables, and how milk, honey and other foods fold into your dinner plate. Registration required by two weeks prior:

$226. #5GAL1310
August 8–11, Tuesday–Friday
9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

LIVESTOCK CARE CAMP
Ages: 10–12
Discover the ins and outs of livestock health and management. Explore animal nutrition and husbandry. Investigate a farmer’s tools of the trade as you assist with daily livestock chores and basic care. Registration required by two weeks prior:

$226. #5GAL1300
June 20–23, Tuesday–Friday
9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Livestock Care Camp
Ages: 10–12
Discover the ins and outs of livestock health and management. Explore animal nutrition and husbandry. Investigate a farmer’s tools of the trade as you assist with daily livestock chores and basic care. Registration required by two weeks prior:

$226. #5GAL1300
June 20–23, Tuesday–Friday
9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Farm & Wilderness Camp
Ages: 10–12
Farm life is full of hidden lessons, with the natural world as our gifted teacher. Investigate our link to the land while caring for the animals and gardens, then harvest vegetables, eggs and more to swap the benefits and prepare your own farm-fresh snacks. Foster your own respect for nature and gain valuable skills with wilderness challenges such as orienteering, fire building and more. Registration required by two weeks prior:

$226. #5GAL2430
July 11–14, Tuesday–Friday
9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Hooves & Halters Camp
Ages: 10–13
Discover the ins and outs of horse husbandry. Learn how to groom them to show at a fair. Prepare your own chicken and lamb to show your family and friends on the last day of camp. Registration required by two weeks prior:

$226. #5GAL1305
July 25–28, Tuesday–Friday
9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Farmers in Training (F.I.T.) Camp
Ages: 12–15
Experience the behind-the-scenes world of work on the farm. Gain valuable life skills as you learn the tricks of the trade and assist with daily animal and garden chores. Keep the animals, pastures and gardens thriving by working alongside farmers on a variety of farm projects. Registration required by two weeks prior:

July 11–13, Tuesday–Thursday
August 8–10, Tuesday–Thursday
8 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Hyland Lake Park Reserve
Bloomington

RECREATION AREA

Introduction to Adventure Camp – 4 Days
Ages: 10–12
This recreation “sandbox” camp will introduce campers to a variety of activities while making new friends. Activities may include archery, canoeing, geocaching and other fun adventures. Registration required by two weeks prior:

$170. #5LAN1725
June 27–29, Tuesday–Thursday
9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Camping Skills Camp
Ages: 10–12
Discover the skills needed for a comfortable and enjoyable camping experience! Practice selecting and setting up a campsite, cooking over a fire and cooking outdoors. Each day includes a camp-cooked meal or treat. Registration required by two weeks prior:

$170. #5GAL1705
June 26–28, Monday–Wednesday
9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Introduction to Adventure Camp for Teens
Ages: 13–15
This recreation “sandbox” camp will introduce campers to a variety of activities while making new friends. Activities may include archery, canoeing, geocaching and other fun adventures. Registration required by two weeks prior:

$113. #5REC4045
July 24–27, Monday – Thursday
1 – 4 p.m.
Raptors: Birds of Prey Camp
Ages: 8–10
This collaborative camp brings together naturalists from Richardson Nature Center and the University of Minnesota Raptor Center. Richardson Nature Center hosts the first day of camp. Activities include meeting resident raptor ambassadors, discovering their natural history and behaviors, learning the requirements to care for and train birds in captivity, and exploring habitats within the park to search for wild birds. The second day includes a field trip to The Raptor Center. Campers will learn how the veterinary clinic rehabilitates and cares for injured birds and get a “behind the scenes” tour of their education department to see many different species of raptors up-close. Campers who are 8 years old should choose either the Monday–Tuesday camp or the Thursday–Friday camp, but not both. Transportation to and from The Raptor Center is provided. Registration required by two weeks prior.
$170. #5RNC1200
August 14–15, Monday–Tuesday
9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

The Art of Nature Camp
Ages: 8–10
Spend four days learning the skills of a naturalist. Catch and identify pollinators, search for clues that animals leave behind and participate in community science by identifying and logging what we observe. We’ll even get to try some “behind the scenes” work, including handling and caring for animals. Registration required by two weeks prior.
$230. #5RNC2120
June 26–29, Monday–Thursday
9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Outdoor Adventures Camp
Ages: 8–10
Let the summer adventures begin! We will test our survival skills with shelter and fire building, play historical games to hone your hand-eye coordination. We will spend free time playing games, learning about wild edibles and creating outdoor memories together! Registration required by two weeks prior.
$184. #5RNC4605
July 11–13, Tuesday–Thursday
9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Junior Naturalist Camp
Ages: 6–8
Spend four days learning the skills of a naturalist. Catch and identify pollinators, search for clues that animals leave behind and participate in community science by identifying and logging what we observe. We’ll even get to try some “behind the scenes” work, including handling and caring for animals. Registration required by two weeks prior.
$230. #5RNC1300
July 18–21, Tuesday–Friday
9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Junior Naturalist Camp
Ages: 9–13
Spend four days learning the skills of a naturalist. Learn canoeing and navigating basics while paddling on Turtle Lake. Experience different landscapes, birding, and caring for animals. Registration required by two weeks prior.
$230. #5RNC1300
July 18–21, Tuesday–Friday
9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Junior Naturalist Camp
Ages: 9–13
Spend four days learning the skills of a naturalist. Learn canoeing and navigating basics while paddling on Turtle Lake. Experience different landscapes, birding, and caring for animals. Registration required by two weeks prior.
$230. #5RNC1300
July 18–21, Tuesday–Friday
9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Mississippi Gateway Regional Park
Brooklyn Park
Mississippi Gateway Regional Park will be under construction during the summer of 2023 and summer camps will not take place there. The staff will offer camps at French Regional Park and other Three Rivers locations.

Murphy-Hanrehan Park Reserve
Savage
RECREATION AREA

Mountain Bike Camp
Ages: 11–15
Discover the basics of singletrack riding. Explore the importance of balance, proper riding position and technique through drills and riding both on and off the singletrack. Campers must bring their own multi-gear mountain bike in good functioning order and their helmet in good condition each day. Registration required by two weeks prior.
$113. #5SCT5100
June 19–22, Monday–Thursday
9 a.m. – 12 p.m.
Camp Doodlebugs:
All the Colors of the Rainbow
Ages: 4–6
Get out and explore some of the most colorful parts of the park, from the vibrantly colored fish living in the lake to the blooming flowers in the garden. We will be inspired through the stories we read and our outdoor discoveries to make artistic creations throughout the week. Registration required by two weeks prior. $80. #5SIL4405
June 12–15, Monday – Thursday
10 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Messy and Mighty Camp
Ages: 4–6
Get messy on purpose! Explore nature through the art of mud, sand and all that is messy. Experience different textures and natural materials as we play and create. Learn about animals that make dirt, mud and sand their home. Be inspired to make messy art using these natural materials! Combine with Wet and Wild Camp for a week of fun. Registration required by two weeks prior. $40. #5SIL4655
July 10–11, Monday – Tuesday
1 – 3 p.m.

Wet and Wild Camp
Ages: 4–6
Explore the lake and other wet places in the park where all the wild things live. Play water games and create artwork using water-based mediums including watercolor paints and natural dye. Combine with Messy and Mighty Camp for a week of fun. Registration required by two weeks prior. $40. #5SIL4660
July 12–13, Wednesday – Thursday
1 – 3 p.m.

Camp Doodlebugs:
Fantasy Creatures of Minnesota
Ages: 4–6
Learn about fantastic creatures that Minnesotans once believed lived in the north woods and discover the real creatures they probably saw. Make puppets based on the natural world, tall tales and folklore. End the week with a final performance for family and friends. Registration required by two weeks prior. $80. #5SIL4400
July 31 – August 3, Monday – Thursday
10 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Silverwood Park
St. Anthony

Snapshot Scientific Camp
Ages: 6–10
Explore the park with a camera in hand and practice the skill of capturing an image as both an artist and a scientist. While hiking through the gardens, prairies and oak savannah, learn how to contribute to community science projects using simple tools to make and record your observations. Create stunning works of art inspired by the photos you take throughout the week. Equipment provided. Registration required by two weeks prior. $120. #5SIL4645
July 24–27, Monday – Thursday
9 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Nature’s Protectors Camp
Ages: 6–10
Defend the swamp, forests and lake while guided by an artist, a naturalist and your imagination. Practice outdoor skills needed along your journey, from camouflage to canoeing, and defend the earth from mysterious elements. Tell your epic tale of this saga through the artful creations we will make along the way. Registration required by two weeks prior. $120. #5SIL4655
July 24–27, Monday – Thursday
1 – 4 p.m.

It’s Time to Tinker Camp
Ages: 8–12
Answer the call of curiosity while exploring topics of science, technology, engineering, art and math (STEAM). Discover how things work by deconstructing them, then craft your own imaginative creations. Explore some interesting engineers of the natural world by hiking through the park and paddling on the lake. Registration required by two weeks prior. $120. #5SIL4640
June 26–29, Monday – Thursday
9 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Digging in Nature and Clay: Wheel Throwing Camp
Ages: 8–12
Explore the potter’s wheel while learning to center, open and shape clay to create basic forms like bowls and cups. Head outdoors with a naturalist to unearth cycles and patterns found in nature. Registration required by two weeks prior. $150. #5SIL4005
June 12–15, Monday – Thursday
9 a.m. – 12 p.m.
July 10–13, Monday – Thursday
1 – 4 p.m.

Teen Art Adventure Camp
Ages: 12–17
Spend the week exploring the natural landscapes of the park, from hiking in the forests and prairies to canoeing on the lake. Be inspired by what you discover and express your creativity through a range of visual art mediums. Registration required by two weeks prior. $120. #5SIL4640
July 31 – August 3, Monday – Thursday
1 – 4 p.m.

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Detective Camp
Ages: 6-8
Think like a detective and use clues in nature, art and history to crack the case. Break code, solve hidden messages and keep track of clues in your detective notebook. Through puzzles, games and hands-on activities, discover what helpful tools detectives need to solve mysteries. Each day will feature a new mystery that will put your detective skills to the test. Registration required by two weeks prior. $170. #5LAN2570
June 27–29, Tuesday–Thursday
August 8–10, Tuesday–Thursday
9:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m.

Build a Camp: One-room Schoolhouse
Ages: 6-10
Pack your lunch pail and meet the teacher of the one-room school in 1889 where students of all grades are taught together. Use a slate board for your lessons and try games and toys from the 19th century at recess. Registration required by two weeks prior. $50. #5LAN2005
July 5, Wednesday
9:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m.

Build a Camp: Day on the Farm
Ages: 6-10
Visit historic farms to help care for animals and work in the gardens. Help with farm chores and play farm-themed games. Enjoy a snack made in an outdoor summer kitchen. Registration required by two weeks prior. $55. #5LAN2010
July 5, Wednesday
9:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m.

Build a Camp: Fur Trader for a Day
Ages: 6-10
See if you have what it takes to be a fur trader on the Minnesota frontier and experience the day-to-day activities of the voyageurs. Explore a historic voyageur cabin, learn how the voyageurs started fires, look for signs of animals in the wild and play voyageur games! Registration required by two weeks prior. $170. #5LAN2015
July 6, Thursday
9:30 a.m.–2:30 p.m.

Build a Camp: Flour Power!
Ages: 6-10
Discover how nature, science and history come together to help us bake! Through hands-on activities and experiments, campers will explore the many uses of wheat and flour. Visit a wheat field, help grind wheat and learn how people in the past used nature’s water power to grow and process grain. Mix and measure ingredients to make and bake bread in an historic kitchen. Each camper will create and take home a cookbook with recipes to share. Registration required by two weeks prior. $55. #5LAN2020
July 6, Thursday
9:30 a.m.–2:30 p.m.

Little House on the River Camp
Ages: 6-12
Experience the life of young Laura Ingalls Wilder from her first cabin in the big woods to her second home on a prairie farm. Participate in chores, family activities, lessons at a one-room school and her first visit to a real town. Registration required by two weeks prior. $170. #5LAN2515
June 13–15, Tuesday–Thursday
August 8–10, Tuesday–Thursday
July 18–20, Tuesday–Thursday
August 1–3, Tuesday–Thursday
9:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m.

Kid vs. Wild Camp: Wilderness Survival Skills
Ages: 6-12
Learn how to survive in the Minnesota wilderness. Find the perfect spot to build a shelter and start a fire using flint and steel. Practice animal tracking, set out in search of food and learn the dos and don’ts of wild edibles. Registration required by two weeks prior. $170. #5LAN2510
June 20–22, Tuesday–Thursday
July 25–27, Tuesday–Thursday
9:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m.

History Kids: Young Minnie on the Minnesota Camp
Ages: 6-12
Bring history to life by following in the footsteps of young Minnie Ellington Tapping, who lived in west Bloomington near the Minnesota River in the late 1800s. Using her personal memoir, “80 Years at the Gopher Hole” as inspiration, do farm chores and churn butter. Spend time in nature painting with watercolors, building with clay and writing poetry. Try on old-fashioned clothes, dip your pen in an inkwell and experience life in the 19th century as you visit real places Minnie highlights in her memoir! Registration required by two weeks prior. $170. #5LAN1725
August 22–24, Tuesday–Thursday
9:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m.

Voyageurs Camp
Ages: 8-15
Paddle into the past and see if you have what it takes to be a voyageur. From animal tracking to canoe trekking, explore the ins and outs of the fur trade. Play games and meet friends at a rendezvous. Gather the furs, get in your canoe and paddle home. Registration required by two weeks prior. $170. #5LAN2545
July 11–13, Tuesday–Thursday
August 8–10, Tuesday–Thursday
9:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m.

Paul Bunyan’s Lumberjack Camp
Ages: 8-15
Do you have what it takes to be part of the Blue Ox Logging Company? Learn about lumberjacks, river pigs and the prized trees of the logging industry in Minnesota. Try your hand at using a crosscut saw, throwing a hatchet and identifying trees. After a long days work, relax in the logging camp by playing card games, cooking flapjacks over a fire and telling tall tales. Registration required by two weeks prior. $170. #5LAN545
June 13–15, Tuesday–Thursday
August 15–17, Tuesday–Thursday
9:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m.

Minnesota River Fishing Camp
Ages: 10-15
Learn about unique river fish like gar and drum. Hunt for river critters to use as bait for catfish, carp, bass and other large fish. Drop a line from shore and while wading, head down river to find secret fishing spots. Explore methods and watch demonstrations by professionals in the fishing industry. Equipment provided. Registration required by two weeks prior. $253. #55ST5409
August 21–24, Monday–Thursday
8 a.m.–2 p.m.

Minnesota River Fishing Camp for Teens
Ages: 13-15
Learn about unique river fish like gar and drum. Hunt for river critters to use as bait for catfish, carp, bass and other large fish. Drop a line from shore and while wading, head down river to find secret fishing spots. Explore methods and watch demonstrations by professionals in the fishing industry. Equipment provided. Registration required by two weeks prior. $253. #55ST5409
July 31–August 3, Monday–Thursday
8 a.m.–2 p.m.
Parties and Celebrations
From cozy rooms at our visitor centers and nature centers to scenic outdoor settings, you’ll find the perfect space for a birthday party, family reunion, quinceañera, bridal shower, bar mitzvah or bat mitzvah.
ThreeRiversParks.link/Party

Golf Academy
Summer golf lessons are perfect for golfers of all ages and abilities. Improve your skills and have some fun. It’s as simple as that.
Registration opens Tuesday, March 7 at 8 a.m.
ThreeRiversParks.link/GolfAcademy

Volunteer
Become a Park Patrol Volunteer! We are looking for people who enjoy using our parks and trails to join our volunteer Park Patrol program. Park Patrol volunteers provide a welcoming presence, giving park guests information and educating them on park rules. These volunteers are also trained in CPR and basic first aid and can provide emergency assistance as needed. Park Patrollers volunteer on foot, bike, skis, snowshoes, skates and on horseback. Contact Volunteer@ThreeRiversParks.org for more information.

Upcoming Events
25th Annual Ice Harvesting Day – January 21
Richardson Nature Center
Try It: Ice Fishing – January 22
Silverwood Park
Embrace the North Festival – February 18
Mississippi Gateway Regional Park
Winter Play Day – February 25
Multiple locations
Trail Mix Race – April 22
Lake Rebecca Park Reserve
Trail Spin – June 24
Carver Park Reserve & Monarch Singletrack Trail
Fall Fest on the Farm – October 7 & 8
Gale Woods Farm
ThreeRiversParks.org

Pathways Internship Program
Are you interested in learning more about careers in the outdoors? Pathways is a paid internship program that provides youth and young adults hands on experiences to explore a career in parks and recreation. Applications and more details will be available in March at ThreeRiversParks.org/Pathways

Three Rivers will be hiring employees for summer and has a wide variety of full time, part time and seasonal opportunities at several park locations.
Lifeguards - Golf Instructors
Outdoor Educators - Customer Service
Food Services - Maintenance
Learn more and apply at ThreeRiversParks.org/Employment

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**COUNTY**
- Hennepin County
- Carver County
- Scott County
- Anoka County
- Dakota County
- Ramsey County
- Wright County

**LEGEND**
- Park District Properties
- Regional Trail – Paved
- Regional Trail – Aggregate
- Regional Trail to be Developed
- State, Federal or other Regional Trails/Parks
- Park Entrance
- Nature Centers/Interpretive Center
- Downhill Ski and Snowboard Areas
- Golf Facilities

**Addresses of Camp Locations**

- **Baker Park Reserve**
  - Baker National Golf Course
    2935 Parkview Drive
  - Baker Outdoor Learning Center
    4011 County Road 24, Medina
  - Recreation Area
    2309 Baker Park Road

- **Bryant Lake Regional Park**
  - Eden Prairie 6800 Rowland Road

- **Carver Park Reserve**
  - Victoria
    - Archery Range 7960 Grimm Road
    - Lowry Nature Center 7025 Victoria Drive
    - Monarch Singletrack 6920 Springview Drive

- **Cedar Lake Farm Regional Park**
  - New Prague 25875 Juniper Avenue

- **Cleary Lake Regional Park**
  - Prior Lake 18106 Texas Avenue

- **Ell’s Creek Park Reserve**
  - Plymouth 12665 Rockford Road

- **Gale Woods Farm**
  - Minnetrista 2710 County Road 110 West

- **Hyland Lake Park Reserve**
  - Bloomington
    - Hyland Hills Ski Area 8800 Chalet Road
    - Recreation Area 10145 Bush Lake Road
    - Richardson Nature Center 8737 East Bush Lake Road

- **Lake Minnetonka Regional Park**
  - Minnetrista 4610 County Road 44

- **Mississippi Gateway Regional Park**
  - Brooklyn Park 10380 West River Road
  - Mississippi Gateway Regional Park will be under construction during the summer of 2023 and summer camps will not take place there. The staff will offer camps at French Regional Park and other Three Rivers locations.

- **Murphy-Hanrehan Park Reserve**
  - Savage 15501 Murphy Lake Road
    - Singletrack

- **Silverwood Park**
  - St. Anthony 2500 County Road E

- **The Landing**
  - Shakopee 2187 East Highway 101

For general information, call 763-559-9000.

**INFORMATION**

- **CANCELLATION AND TRANSFER POLICY**
  - Cancellations and transfers made at least 30 days prior to the camp start date are 80% refundable.
  - Cancellations and transfers made less than 30 days before the camp start date are NOT refundable.

- **FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE**
  Fee assistance is available for camp and program fees through the Recreation Pass Plus program. Applications are considered on the basis of financial need. For details, call 763 559 6700 or visit ThreeRiversParks.org/feeassistance.

- **ACCESSIBILITY**
  Staff will work with individuals and groups to accommodate persons with specific needs. Please notify staff of your needs when you register for a program and we will do our best to adapt the program to fit your needs through offering qualified assistants, sign language interpretations, adapted equipment and more. With sufficient notice, Three Rivers will make information available in Braille, audio and large print. Please request services at least 14 days prior by calling 763 559 6700 (voice) or 711 (Relay Service).