ALL SCOUTS

CAMPING
Learn safety, entering and exiting a canoe, and paddle strokes while having fun on the water. Reservations required by two days prior. $15. Ages: 8-17.

Clear Lake Regional Park #6SC5020 September 12 — Thursday 4:30–6 PM

ANCIENT PROJECTILES
Learn about the development of hunting tools throughout history. Practice your aim with slingshots and hatchet throwing. Reservation required by two days prior. $10. Ages: 8-17.

Fish Lake Regional Park #6REC5065 September 16 — Monday 4:30–6 PM

ARCHERY
Learn archery basics and elements of safety. Shoot at stationary targets and play games. Equipment provided. Reservations required by two days prior. $10. Ages: 8-17.

Coon Rapids Dam Regional Park #6CRD5000 September 19 — Thursday: Girl Scouts September 26 — Thursday: Cub Scouts 5–6:30 PM

Baker Near-Wilderness Settlement #6NW5000 September 22 — Sunday October 20 — Sunday 3–4:30 PM

The Landing #6SC5000 October 3 — Thursday 4:30–6 PM

Elm Creek Park Reserve #6REC5000 October 7 — Monday 4:30–6 PM

Nature Education
Astronomy, maple syruping, snowshoeing, insects, birds, wilderness skills, naturalist badge, geology badge, and more.


Outdoor Skills
Kayaking, canoeing, paddleboarding, river trips, teambuilding, cross-country skiing, camping, orienteering, and more.

Outdoor Recreation School - 763.694.7717

NEW MOON FLASHLIGHT HIKE
Engage your senses and your sense of adventure. Explore the dark woods with the nocturnal crowd and an added twist. Maximum six scouts per adult. Bring a flashlight. Reservations required. $5. Ages: 5-17.

Eastman Nature Center #6ENC5025 October 29 — Tuesday 6–8 PM

LIVING OUTSIDE SURVIVAL TRAINING (LOST)
Learn the life-saving skills of fire and shelter building, signaling, and wilderness safety with experienced instructors. Equipment provided. Reservations required. $6. Ages: 8-17.

French Regional Park #6REC5025 November 4 — Monday 4:30–6 PM

Cleary Lake Regional Park #6SC5025 November 7 — Thursday 4:30–6 PM

NATURE CRIME SCENE INVESTIGATION
Hike to the scene of where a woodland squirrel went missing and learn how to identify tracks, scat and other animal signs. Review the evidence and determine which suspects to question. Maximum six scouts per adult. Reservations required by three days prior. $5/session. Ages: 9-17.

Eastman Nature Center #6ENC5000 November 9 — Saturday 10 AM–Noon or 1–3 PM

SNOWSHOE HIKE
Explore the winter landscape by snowshoe, stop to notice animal signs along the way. Learn about the history and technique involved in this fun form of winter transportation and recreation. Reservations required. $5. Ages: 5-13.

French Regional Park #6REC5050 January 6 — Monday 4:30–6 PM

Cleary Lake Regional Park #6SC5050 January 16 — Thursday 4:30–6 PM

SNOWSHOE HIKE
Tromp through the woods on snowshoes. Explore the history of this important winter technology and search for animal tracks. We will hike if there is no snow. Reservations required by four days prior. $5. Ages: 8-17.

Coon Rapids Dam Regional Park #6CRD5010 Mississippi Gateway Regional Park February 1 — Saturday 10 AM–Noon

FIRES AND FOOD
Start fires using modern and historical methods. Test your skills keeping a fire burning outside and enjoy a foil-baked campfire treat. Great for Webelos Cast Iron Chef Badge and Juniors Camper Badge. Maximum six scouts per adult. Reservations required by three days prior. $8. Ages: 7-17.

Baker Near-Wilderness Settlement #6NW5005 February 2 — Sunday 2:30–5 PM April 19 — Sunday 3–5:30 PM

Other Group Opportunities

Volunteer Service Projects
Global Youth Service Day, invasive species removals, prairie seed collection, and more. Individuals and groups welcome. Service-award projects possible on a limited basis. Volunteer Resources - 763.559.6706

Newsletter
For more great program and activity suggestions, visit ThreeRiversParks.org/newsletters to sign up for the monthly Youth Programs newsletter.
KICKSLEDDING ADVENTURE
Learn about the history and techniques of how to ride a kicksled. Go on an adventure as a passenger or pilot, and maybe even participate in a race! Reservations required. $5. Ages: 5-17.
French Regional Park #6REC5005
February 3 — Monday
4:30–6 PM

ICE FISHING
Learn about equipment, bait, local fish, and cold-water safety. See lures and bait, use an ice auger, and go inside a fish house. After instructions, fish from a freshly-cut hole in the ice. Equipment provided. Reservations required. $6. Ages: 5-17.
Cedar Lake Farm Regional Park #6CTS5010
February 6 — Thursday
4:30–6 PM

SNOWSHOE UNDER THE FULL MOON
Enjoy the moonlit woods on a guided snowshoe hike. Review snowshoe history and types, and then venture outside. Warm up with hot cocoa and a treat. Snowshoes provided; we will hike if there is no snow. Maximum six scouts per adult. Reservations required. $5. Ages: 6-17.
Eastman Nature Center #6ENC5016
February 6 — Thursday
6–8 PM

NEW MOON SNOWSHOE HIKE
Explore the night on snowshoes. Listen for nocturnal animals and learn how eyes work at night through experiments and games. We will hike if there is no snow. Maximum six scouts per adult. Reservations required by four days prior. $5. Ages: 6-17.
Coon Rapids Dam Regional Park #6CRD5006
February 24 — Monday
4:30–6 PM

ASTRONOMY
Explore the night sky and view winter constellations. Learn about stars, planets and other objects in the sky. Maximum six scouts per adult. Reservations required by three days prior. $5. Ages: 8-17.
Eastman Nature Center #6ENC5005
February 27 — Thursday
6–8 PM

MAPLE SYRUPING
Identify and tap maple trees. Collect the sap and cook it to make tasty maple syrup or sugar. This sweet sign of spring is full of history. Reservations required by two days prior. $5. Ages: 5-17.
Baker Near-Wilderness Settlement #6NW5010
March 1 — Sunday
3–5 PM
Lowry Nature Center #6LCN5000
March 12 — Thursday
4:30–6 PM
French Regional Park #6REC5040
March 16 — Monday
4:30–6 PM
Cleary Lake Regional Park #6CTS5040
March 19 — Thursday
4:30–6 PM

SKI AND SNOWBOARD DAY
Try skiing or snowboarding with reduced rates for scouts and their families. Lift tickets can be purchased anytime between 8 AM-3 PM and are valid until 9 PM. Reservations required by March 13 for ski or snowboard lesson (ages 8-17) and Boy Scouts Merit Badge test (bring a signed blue card, intermediate ski/snowboard skills required). $19/person for lift ticket only; $40/scout for lesson or Merit Badge test (includes lift ticket); $21/person for equipment and helmet rental.
Ages: 6–17
Hyland Hills Ski Area #6HH5000
March 14 — Saturday
8 AM–3 PM: Discounted Lift Tickets & Rentals
9–10:30 AM: All Scouts Lesson
10–10:30 AM: Boy Scouts Merit Badge Test

GEOCACHING FOR S’MORES
French Regional Park #6REC5060
April 6 — Monday
4:30–6 PM

SLACKLINING
Develop coordination, increase endurance and concentration, and tone muscles as you balance across a two-inch-wide line. Discover why slacklining has been coined fun, safe and simply addictive. Reservations required. $5. Ages: 5-17.
Cedar Lake Farm Regional Park #6CTS5015
April 9 — Thursday
4:30–6 PM

PLAYING IN THE PAST
Step back in time and explore a late 1800s German immigrant farm. Play games, help with chores, and learn how the Grimm family influenced dairy farming. All scouts welcome; perfect for Junior Girl Scouts. Reservations required. $5. Ages: 7-17.
Eastman Nature Center #6ENC5035
April 20 — Tuesday
6–8 PM

SLEEPING OUT
Learn about the history behind a changing climate’s conditions. Create a model of the greenhouse effect and explore how excess carbon dioxide alters the atmosphere. Estimate the amount of carbon stored in trees and discover ways to have a positive effect on our planet. Maximum six scouts per adult. Reservations required. $5. Ages 10-16.
Eastman Nature Center #6ENC5035
April 28 — Tuesday
6–8 PM

ICE FISHING
Learn about equipment, bait, local fish, and how to catch and release. Equipment provided. Reservations required. $6. Ages: 5-17.
Fish Lake Regional Park #6RL5045
May 4 — Monday
4:30–6 PM

FISHING
Learn about equipment, bait, local fish, and search for delicious treasure. Equipment provided. Reservations required. $5. Ages: 5-18.
Cleary Lake Regional Park #6CTS5045
May 7 — Thursday
4:30–6 PM

WILD SPRING EDIBLES
Learn how to identify wild edibles on a hike with a naturalist. Discover which plants are tasty this time of year — and which to avoid. Reservations required by two days prior. $5. Ages: 5-18.
Coon Rapids Dam Regional Park #6CRD5016
May 16 — Saturday
9:30-11:30 AM

CUB SCOUTS

BEARS – FEATHERS, FUR AND FERNS
Observe animals and plants through binoculars and magnifying lenses. Practice the outdoor code on a hike and meet an animal that is a threatened species. Maximum six scouts per adult. Reservations required. $5. Ages: 8-10.
Coon Rapids Dam Regional Park #6CRD5011
Mississippi Gateway Regional Park
September 17 — Tuesday
6–7:30 PM

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CUB SCOUTS
WWEBELOS – INTO THE WOODS
Learn how to identify trees and plants, and discuss how wildlife and humans use them. “Build” a tree from the inside out to explore tree functions and what ring patterns mean. Maximum six scouts per adult. Reservations required. $5. Ages: 8-13.
Baker Near-Wilderness Settlement #6NWS5110
November 10 — Sunday
January 26 — Sunday
2–4 PM
Eastman Nature Center #6ENC5111
April 18 — Saturday
10 AM–Noon

WWEBELOS – INTO THE WILD
Search for animals in their natural environment. Discover what can be found where, who eats whom, and where humans fit into it all. Reservations required. $5. Ages: 8-13.
Baker Near-Wilderness Settlement #6NWS5105
December 8 — Sunday
2–4 PM

BEARS – A BEAR GOES FISHING
Coon Rapids Dam Regional Park #6CRDS5111
October 29 — Tuesday
3–5 PM
November 2 — Sunday
3–5 PM
January 22 — Sunday
1:30–3:30 PM
April 12 — Tuesday
6–8 PM
Coon Rapids Dam Regional Park #6CRDS200
May 19 — Tuesday
5–7 PM

BROWNIES AND JUNIORS – PHOTOGRAPHY Badge
Learn about digital cameras and take lots of photos. Print out your favorite photo and decorate a frame to take home. Reservations required. $5. Ages: 7-14.
Baker Near-Wilderness Settlement #6NWS5200
September 17 — Tuesday
6–8 PM
November 17 — Sunday
3–5 PM
February 9 — Sunday
3–5 PM
May 12 — Tuesday
6–8 PM

GET OUTDOORS – TREES
Explore trees on a short hike through the forest. Discuss how to tell the age of a tree and what trees are used for. Reservations required. $5. Ages: 6-17.
Lowry Nature Center #6LNCS200
October 6 — Sunday
2:30–4:30 PM

CADETTES – NIGHT OWL BADGE
Explore the park after dark. Use all your senses and perform experiments about what is different in darkness. Investigate nocturnal animals and learn about constellations. Reservations required. $5. Ages: 10-16.
Coon Rapids Dam Regional Park #6CRDS210
October 22 — Tuesday
6–8 PM

BROWNIES AND JUNIORS – GEOCACHER BADGE
Learn how to use a GPS unit and search for points hidden in the woods. Make a trade item and look up a geobug. January program is on snowshoes if conditions allow. Reservations required. $5.
Baker Near-Wilderness Settlement #6NWS5210
October 27 — Sunday
3–5 PM
November 3 — Sunday
3–5 PM
January 12 — Sunday
1:30–3:30 PM
April 7 — Tuesday
6–8 PM

CANDLE MAKING AND PIONEER CRAFTS
Step back in time to learn the art of candle making and crafting pioneer toys. Create hand-dipped and hand-rolled beeswax candles. Play with pioneer toys and make a yarn doll. Maximum three scouts per adult. Reservations required by seven days prior. $10. Ages: 8-17.
Eastman Nature Center #6ENC5205
November 15 — Friday
6:30–8 PM

SWEET SCIENCE
Discover the science of maple syruping! Create tasty treats to explore the chemistry behind making candy and maple sap sugars. Maximum four scouts per adult. Reservations required by five days prior. $5. Ages: 10-17.
Eastman Nature Center #6ENC5225
March 11 — Wednesday
6–8 PM

CABIN CAMPING
Enjoy a fun, overnight experience with other small scout groups in rustic cabins. Practice fire building, tree identification, outdoor cooking, and more. All meals included. Maximum six scouts per adult. Reservations required by the Wednesday prior, by phone only. Call 763-550-6700.
Baker Near-Wilderness Settlement #6NWS5215
March 21–22
May 2–3
2 PM Saturday–1 PM Sunday

CADETTES – TREES BADGE
Learn how to identify trees and use the forest for inspiration as you sketch and write about your observations. Maximum six scouts per adult. Reservations required. $5. Ages: 11-14.
Eastman Nature Center #6ENC5220
April 18 — Saturday
1–3 PM

JUNIORS – OUTDOOR ART
EXPLORER BADGE
Combine nature, art, music, and your creativity to design outdoor-inspired artwork to take home. Reservations required by three days prior. $8. Ages: 9-17.
Baker Near-Wilderness Settlement #6NWS5220
April 28 — Tuesday
May 14 — Thursday
6–8 PM

BROWNIES – HIKER
Learn new — or sharpen existing — hiking skills. Practice using a map and create a plan for a hike in the woods with fellow scouts. Reservations required by five days prior. $5. Ages: 6-10.
Coon Rapids Dam Regional Park #6CRDS5205
November 2 — Tuesday
6–8 PM

BROWNIES – OUTDOOR ADVENTURER
Adventure along the mighty Mississippi, play an exciting outdoor game, and learn camp skills. Reservations required by five days prior. $5. Ages: 8-14.
Baker Near-Wilderness Settlement #6NWS5210
October 29 — Tuesday
5:30–7 PM

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Coon Rapids Dam Regional Park #6CRDS5205
November 2 — Tuesday
6–8 PM

BROWNIES – OUTDOOR ADVENTURER
Explore by a creek, develop a camping skill, play a game in the woods, and more. Maximum six scouts per adult. Reservations required. $5.
Baker Near-Wilderness Settlement #6NWS5215
May 28 — Thursday
6–8 PM

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