

OUTREACH PROGRAMS AT YOUR SCHOOL

All Outreach Programs are led by Riveredge Environmental Educators and take place outdoors at the school site or a nearby park. Programs last 1 – 1 ½ hours and have a limit of 30 students. More than one program can be scheduled on the same day to accommodate multiple classes. Fees are \$3.50 per student plus a \$30 mileage fee per visit. Additional mileage fees apply to schools located outside of a 25-mile radius of Riveredge Nature Center. Program dates and times are flexible; please contact Riveredge for more information or fill out an online application: (262) 375-2715 • www.riveredgenaturecenter.org

KINDERGARTEN AND FIRST GRADE

SENSITIZING Fall & Spring

Natural things come in many different shapes, sizes, colors, textures, odors, tastes and sounds. Learn about the diversity of nature through a variety of engaging sensory experiences in the outdoors.

INSECTS & THEIR KIN Fall & Spring

Discover the incredible diversity of invertebrates and explore how they survive. Collect and examine little creatures using sweep nets and bug boxes, and learn how they are responsible for healthy soil, healthy plants and healthy people.

WIGGLE WORMS Fall & Spring

Who comes out to play on a rainy day? Roll logs, dig in the soil and sift through vermicompost to uncover wiggling worms. Discover how many important jobs worms have in nature!

OH DEER, IT'S COLD OUT HARE Winter

Learn how deer and rabbits survive in winter by focusing on their adaptations. Through hands-on activities, discover the changes that take place in winter and search for animal signs in the outdoors.

SECOND AND THIRD GRADE

WATER CYCLE ADVENTURE Fall & Spring

Through hands-on activities, investigate the water cycle and discover how it travels through natural systems. Play an interactive game to create a unique water cycle story.

ADAPTATIONS/FOOD CHAINS Fall & Spring

Unlock the secrets of how plants and animals adapt to survive in their habitats and explore the role that adaptations play in food chain interactions.

BIRD ADAPTATIONS Fall & Spring

Be amazed to discover the special adaptations, intriguing behavior and surprising survival strategies that birds have to help them survive. After looking at mounted specimens of birds, embark on a bird scavenger hunt to take a closer look at their adaptations.

MOUSE DAY Winter

Meet the animals responsible for those mysterious tunnels found in grass and snow. Search for signs of three small mammals which play such a vital role in Wisconsin ecosystems. With luck, we may even encounter a live mouse on our search, resulting in great excitement for us - and the mouse!

FOURTH AND FIFTH GRADE

FOOD WEBS Fall & Spring

Participate in an interactive game to demonstrate how energy moves through a food chain. Embark on a food web scavenger hunt and discover the importance of interconnectedness.

ENERGY SOLUTIONS Fall & Spring

Discover how energy that originates from the sun keeps changing shape and form as it moves through the ecosystem. Collect organisms and discover an intricate food web. Using nature as a model, explore a variety of renewable energy solutions including solar panels.

LIFE IN WINTER: ANIMAL SURVIVAL STRATEGIES Winter

With a treasure map and a set of wintry clues, set off to discover the relationship between animals and their habitats. By examining animal tracks and other signs, develop the skills of observing and making inferences. By this frosty adventure's end, the puzzle is complete and the mysteries of winter