



Nature Day Camp

Adventures for ages 3-16

Summer 2020



Venture Out!

REGISTRATION begins *Tues, March 3 • 8 am*

Before and After Care Available!



Each summer, hundreds of children migrate to the rivers, forests, meadows and ponds of Chippewa Nature Center to

strengthen their relationships with the natural world. The wild, natural ecosystems mixed with a caring, passionate staff set the formula to support children to learn and grow while advocating for happy, healthy childhood experiences. In this brochure, you will find camps that have stood the test of time like Village and Chippewa Rangers, and some newer options like the Tip-of-the-Mitt History Adventure Trip. Share this brochure with the children in your life and help them imagine the opportunities a week at camp might present for them -kayaking, sleeping in a tent, stomping in mud puddles and the fun of a new friendship. We look forward to welcoming your children to camp! If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at 989-631-0830 or camp@chippewanaturecenter.org.

Sincerely,

Steve Frisbee
Camp Director



Community



Exploration



Growth

Inspiring children to build lifelong relationships with the natural world!

Registration Procedure

Information Needed for Registration

User ID – If you are a CNC member or have registered for camps or programs, you have a user ID. If you have a family membership, your child will qualify for a 20% discount; be sure to log in to receive it! If you don't know your user ID, please call 989-631-0830 prior to registering.

Camper Information required to complete registration:

- Camper's birthdate
- Camper's t-shirt size (Youth 2-4, Youth 6-8, Youth 10-12, Youth 14-16, Adult S, M, L or XL)
- Contact information (phone, email, address)

Registration Instructions can be found on the website. Please note: To simplify the registration process, enter all children you are registering on the initial registration page; you will then be able to select specific sessions for each child.

Before and After Care for Full-Day Camps

\$70 (\$56 for CNC Members) 6-12 year olds

June 15-Aug 19 Mon-Fri	7:30-9:30 am and 3:30-5:30 pm
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If your child craves more time outdoors or the camp schedule is challenging for you, register for this before and after care program! Kids who are registered for a full-day camp (except Habitat Hunters and Exploring Nature Together) are eligible to attend this special wrap-around program. Campers will be based at the Barn at the Homestead Farm. Depending on camper interest, they may dip at the pond, play games, explore fields or just relax in a hammock.

Snacks will be provided each afternoon and a special breakfast will be provided Friday morning.

Please note: If your child is registered for **Chippewa Rangers, Advanced Chippewa Rangers or Eco Adventures**, you will need to register your child separately for both weeks of Before and After Care.

Cancellation Policy

Registration cancelled prior to June 1	\$10 fee
Cancellations after June 1	50% refund
Cancellations less than 7 days prior to the start of the session	No refund
Switching sessions	\$10 fee (unless it is due to a waitlist opening)

You must call 989-631-0830 to receive a refund; it is not automatically credited.

Wait List

If the camp you wish to register for is full, we encourage you to place your child on a wait list. Should a spot become available, you will receive an email notifying you of the opening. You will have 48 hours to make a payment to reserve your child's spot.

Health Form

The online health form may be completed during the registration process OR you may come back prior to the start of camp. **Completed health forms are required for each camper.** Once you begin the form, you must complete it. You may not save it and return to it later.

Health Concerns or Special Needs

We strive to provide a positive experience for all campers, and are able to accommodate children with most health concerns (allergies, asthma, diabetes, etc.) and many other special needs. Our ability to accommodate children depends on their needs, staff availability and the camp the child is interested in attending. Being prepared to serve campers who need a little extra attention or assistance allows us to provide an even better experience for your child. Please contact Steve Frisbee, Camp Director, prior to registering.

Our Staff

Nature Day Camp staff are selected based on experience, maturity and dedication to CNC's mission of 'connecting all people with nature through educational, recreational and cultural experiences.' All staff are screened with a background check, sex-offender registry check, central registry clearance (for child abuse/neglect) and a driving record check. Each staff member is certified in First Aid and CPR and has participated in Nature Day Camp Staff Training. We hope you will find our staff to be committed to providing an outstanding experience for your child.

Camp Memories

Each camper receives a camp t-shirt on Monday and a certificate at the end of the camp celebrating the completion of their session.



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Online registration begins Tues, March 3 at 8 am!

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*Application Required

Members save 20% off camp registration!

Half-Day Camps

All sessions will be held at the Nature Preschool building. A healthy snack is provided daily.

NATURE TOTS

3-4 year olds with an adult \$135 (\$108 for CNC Members)

Date	Morning Session
June 15-19	9:30 am-12 pm
July 20-24	9:30 am-12 pm

Through group time, hands-on activity stations and exploration, you (or another caregiver) and your child will become partners in discovery as you explore the natural world. This camp will be taught by a Nature Preschool teacher.

TINY TRAILBLAZERS

3-4 year olds \$135 (\$108 for CNC Members)

Date	Morning Session	Afternoon Session
June 22-26	9:30 am-12 pm	1-3:30 pm
July 6-10	9:30 am-12 pm	-
July 13-17	9:30 am-12 pm	1-3:30 pm
July 27-31	9:30 am-12 pm	-
Aug 3-7	9:30 am-12 pm	-
Aug 10-14	9:30 am-12 pm	-

If your child is ready for an independent adventure, he or she will love this camp! We will explore woods, fields and ponds using our senses to make discoveries in every new place. As we play outdoors, we will do age-appropriate crafts, play games, enjoy a healthy snack and have fun making new friends. This camp will be taught by a Nature Preschool teacher. Children attending must be able to use the bathroom independently. A special family time will be held at 11:30 am or 3 pm on Friday.



LET'S EXPLORE NATURE

4-5 year olds \$135 (\$108 for CNC Members)

Date	Morning Session
June 15-19	9:30 am-12 pm
June 22-26	9:30 am-12 pm
July 6-10	9:30 am-12 pm
July 20-24	9:30 am-12 pm
July 27-31	9:30 am-12 pm
Aug 3-7	9:30 am-12 pm

We'll explore the lives of animals and plants through short hikes, stories, games and crafts. Engaging in hands-on activities and exploration will help nature come to life for your young explorer. A special family time is held Friday at 11:30 am.

Budding Naturalist Series

Three independent early childhood camps created for campers to develop a deep love and understanding of nature through unique explorations, dynamic projects and PLAY provocations! **Sign up for one week or all three!** Friday afternoon, families are invited to play alongside their child.

BUDDING NATURALIST: NATURE BUILDERS

4-5 year olds \$135 (\$108 for CNC Members)

Date	Afternoon Session
June 15-19	1-3:30 pm
July 20-24	1-3:30 pm

Campers will explore nature through projects such as engineering beaver dams, designing bird nests and investigating strong natural structures found in the wild. They will also have the opportunity to try out real tools, while playing with STEM principles.

BUDDING NATURALIST: NATURE ARTISTS

4-5 year olds \$135 (\$108 for CNC Members)

Date	Afternoon Session
June 22-26	1-3:30 pm
July 27-31	1-3:30 pm

Using art, the Budding Naturalists will connect with the outdoors during a variety of creative experiences. The campers will explore concepts in music, drama, photography and the culinary arts. Whether making gourmet cupcakes in the mud kitchen or creating natural instruments for an insect chorus, the young artists will PLAY with the creative process!

BUDDING NATURALIST: NATURE CHEFS

4-5 year olds \$135 (\$108 for CNC Members)

Date	Afternoon Session
July 6-10	1-3:30 pm
Aug 3-7	1-3:30 pm

Explore food found in nature! The campers will learn who eats whom and how food is produced. The young chefs will play with culinary concepts while imagining at the mud kitchen, exploring the vegetable and herb garden and cooking over a campfire. Friday afternoon, families are invited to get a taste of camp and join in a large group cooking experience.

Full-Day Camps-1 week

A special family time will be held on Friday at 3:15 pm.

HABITAT HUNTERS

5-6 year olds \$200 (\$160 for CNC Members)

Date	Time
June 15-19	9:30 am-3:30 pm
June 22-26	9:30 am-3:30 pm
July 6-10	9:30 am-3:30 pm
July 13-17	9:30 am-3:30 pm
July 20-24	9:30 am-3:30 pm
July 27-31	9:30 am-3:30 pm
Aug 3-7	9:30 am-3:30 pm
Aug 10-14	9:30 am-3:30 pm

Campers will venture out to the forests, meadows, ponds and the Homestead Farm as they learn about who lives in each place. Stories, hikes, exploration and crafts will help teach campers what every animal needs to survive. This session will be held at the Nature Preschool building. **Before and After Care not available for this camp.**

CRITTER ENCOUNTER

6-7 year olds \$200 (\$160 for CNC Members)

Date	Time
June 15-19	9:30 am-3:30 pm
June 22-26	9:30 am-3:30 pm
July 6-10	9:30 am-3:30 pm
July 13-17	9:30 am-3:30 pm
July 20-24	9:30 am-3:30 pm
July 27-31	9:30 am-3:30 pm
Aug 3-7	9:30 am-3:30 pm
Aug 10-14	9:30 am-3:30 pm

There are so many cool critters hiding all around the Nature Center. Campers will search for birds, chase insects and jump after frogs. We will have the opportunity to see animals face-to-face as we explore their habitats, while others will be encountered through stories, games and crafts.

Need Before and After Care?

Campers who register for a full-day camp (except *Habitat Hunters and Exploring Nature Together*) are invited to register for this special wrap-around program! See page 2 for details.



NATURE DETECTIVES

6-7 year olds \$200 (\$160 for CNC Members)

Date	Time
June 15-19	9:30 am-3:30 pm
June 22-26	9:30 am-3:30 pm
July 6-10	9:30 am-3:30 pm
July 13-17	9:30 am-3:30 pm
July 20-24	9:30 am-3:30 pm
July 27-31	9:30 am-3:30 pm
Aug 3-7	9:30 am-3:30 pm
Aug 10-14	9:30 am-3:30 pm

Campers will work as a team to decipher clues and get to the bottom of daily nature mysteries. After going through Detective Academy on Monday, campers will use their sleuthing skills to explore nature, discovering amazing things about the plants, animals, rocks and weather in our own backyards.

NATURE ART

7-9 year olds \$210 (\$168 for CNC Members)

Date	Time
July 6-10	9:30 am-3:30 pm
July 27-31	9:30 am-3:30 pm
Aug 10-14	9:30 am-3:30 pm

It's time to get creative! Campers will explore the natural world through a variety of arts and crafts projects. Each day will be spent in a different ecosystem using materials and gaining inspiration from the things that make each place special. Families are invited to an Art Show on Friday afternoon.

NATURE EXPLORERS

7-9 year olds \$200 (\$160 for CNC Members)

Date	Time
June 15-19	9:30 am-3:30 pm
June 22-26	9:30 am-3:30 pm
July 6-10	9:30 am-3:30 pm
July 13-17	9:30 am-3:30 pm
July 20-24	9:30 am-3:30 pm
Aug 3-7	9:30 am-3:30 pm
Aug 10-14	9:30 am-3:30 pm

It's time to get down and dirty and learn about the natural treasures in the woods, fields and ponds. Campers will become explorers as they discover the elements of the food web all around them. Beginning with the sun, campers will complete challenges as they move through the energy cycle.

VILLAGE

7-9 year olds \$200 (\$160 for CNC Members)

Date	Time
June 15-19	9:30 am-3:30 pm
June 22-26	9:30 am-3:30 pm
July 6-10	9:30 am-3:30 pm
July 13-17	9:30 am-3:30 pm
July 20-24	9:30 am-3:30 pm
July 27-31	9:30 am-3:30 pm
Aug 3-7	9:30 am-3:30 pm
Aug 10-14	9:30 am-3:30 pm

Using our imagination and natural materials, we will bring a miniature village to life as we explore country life in the 1870s. Visits to the Homestead Farm and Log Schoolhouse help campers learn about the challenges and resources available to early Midland residents. Campers will love the opportunity to work as individuals and teams to create their own community. Families are invited to visit the Village on Friday afternoon.

EXPLORING NATURE TOGETHER

8-12 year olds - Application Required
\$60 (\$48 for CNC Members)

Date	Time	Campout
Aug 24-28	9:30 am-3:30 pm	Aug 27

*Campout begins at noon on
Thurs, Aug 27 and ends at 9 am on Fri, Aug 28.

This unique session of camp is designed to be an amazing and powerful experience for children on the autism spectrum and their typical peers. Campers will kayak or canoe, walk in the river, build forts, do crafts, sing songs and participate in a campout at the Homestead Farm. Each camper will be encouraged and challenged at their own pace in a supportive, fun atmosphere. *For more details including staffing, application and questions, please contact Steve Frisbee, Camp Director, at sfrisbee@chippewanaturecenter.org or 989-631-0830. Spots are limited and applications, including a teacher recommendation, are required.

ADVANCED VILLAGE: A FUR TRADE ADVENTURE

9-11 year olds \$205 (\$164 for CNC Members)

Date	Time
June 15-19	9:30 am-3:30 pm
Aug 3-7	9:30 am-3:30 pm
Aug 10-14	9:30 am-3:30 pm

If you have a good imagination and enjoy adventure, this camp is for you! You and your crew will set out into the wild to meet with Native Americans in the uncharted wilderness. You will navigate a river with your hand-made canoe, design a homestead and establish a trading post. (Okay, your miniature character will actually be having the adventures, just like Village, but there will be plenty of adventure for you, too – including paddling a Voyageur canoe under the Tridge!) Families are invited to visit the Village on Friday afternoon.

CREATURE CAMP

9-11 year olds \$215 (\$172 for CNC Members)

Date	Time	Campout
June 15-19	9:30 am-3:30 pm	June 18
July 27-31	9:30 am-3:30 pm	July 30

If rolling logs, wading through water and outsmarting chipmunks sounds like fun, then this is the camp for you! We will spend our days (and one night) walking, stalking and wading through the Nature Center in search of a variety of critters. Dragonfly nymphs, salamanders, crayfish and more will be fair game as we search high and low for as many creatures as we can find.



Naturalists-in-Training Series

Three independent camps created for campers to explore the profession of a naturalist. Each camp will consist of experiencing one theme of a naturalist's work and how best to share their knowledge with others through interpretation.

NATURALISTS IN TRAINING (NIT): SCIENTIST

9-12 year olds \$200 (\$160 for CNC Members)

Date	Time
June 22-26	9:30 am-3:30 pm

NITs will explore science through projects such as researching an ecosystems' biodiversity using citizen science, performing a stream study in the river and training with a CNC Naturalist on the care and handling of native animals. The week culminates with the group interpreting a live animal demonstration for their families on Friday afternoon.

NATURALISTS IN TRAINING (NIT): HISTORIAN

9-12 year olds \$200 (\$160 for CNC Members)

Date	Time
July 6-10	9:30 am-3:30 pm

Attempt to start a fire using your own hand-made fire-by-friction kit, paddle the river in a 14-person Voyageur canoe and work on a historical farm as you learn how to make history come alive. At times throughout the week, NITs will train with CNC's Historical Interpreter to discover tips and tricks of the trade. The group will end the week by interpreting dynamic historical experiences for their families.

NATURALISTS IN TRAINING (NIT): CONSERVATIONIST

9-12 year olds \$200 (\$160 for CNC Members)

Date	Time
Aug 3-7	9:30 am-3:30 pm

In this program, NITs will learn skills and methods to inspire people to protect the natural world. Experiences like habitat restoration, river clean-ups and designing inspirational programming with a CNC Naturalist will ignite campers' passion for conservation. As the capstone of the week, the NITs will share their stewardship-oriented service projects with their families on Friday afternoon.

NATURE ART II

10-13 year olds \$215 (\$172 for CNC Members)

Date	Time
July 13-17	9:30 am-3:30 pm

Inspiration can be found at every turn as we explore nature and use it to inform our art. Using a variety of media including paints, clay, colored pencils and more, we will express ourselves through various projects as we develop our own portfolio for our art show on Friday afternoon.

SURVIVAL AND OUTDOOR SKILLS

10-12 year olds \$215 (\$172 for CNC Members)

Date	Time	Campout
June 22-26	9:30 am-3:30 pm	June 25
Aug 10-14	9:30 am-3:30 pm	Aug 13

Spend the week learning what it takes to feel comfortable in the wilds of Michigan. Learn orienteering skills, build shelters in the woods and practice traditional skills such as fire by friction, cordage making and cooking over an open fire. The campout will be a great opportunity to practice what we've been learning all week long!

SURVIVAL VILLAGE

10-12 year olds \$205 (\$164 for CNC Members)

Date	Time
June 15-19	9:30 am-3:30 pm
July 6-10	9:30 am-3:30 pm
July 27-31	9:30 am-3:30 pm
Aug 3-7	9:30 am-3:30 pm

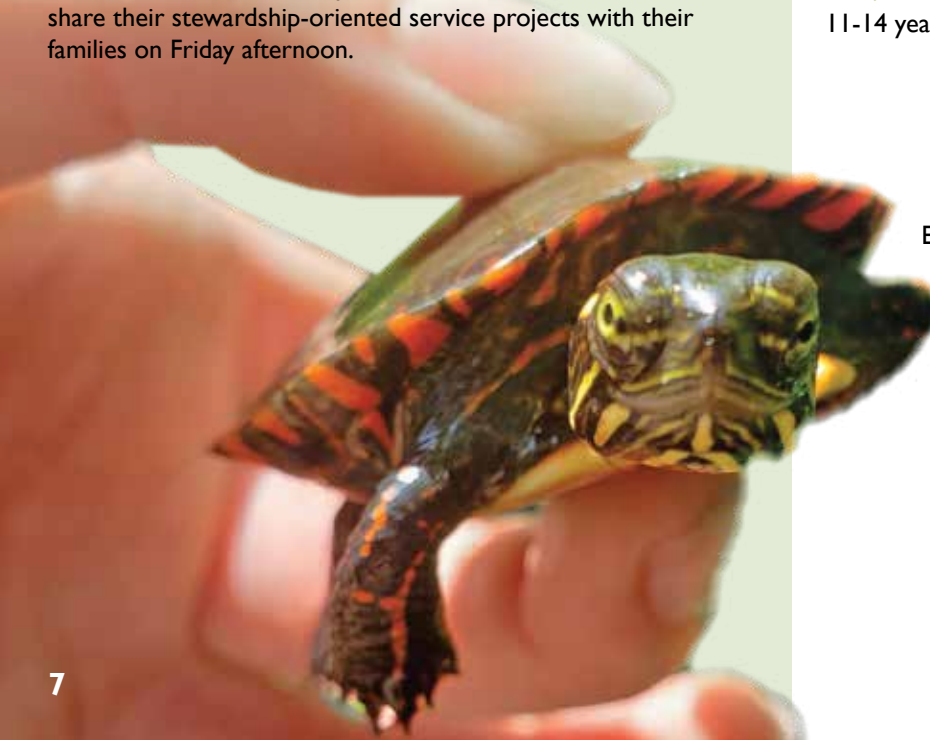
Each day, you will slip into the wilderness to live in a life-sized village built by your own hands. Assuming a character role of your own creation, you will use your imagination and the skills you learn to work as a community. The days will be spent building forts, forging rivers and seeking adventure as you solve challenges and learn to survive by relying on each other.

ADVENTURE CAMP

11-14 year olds \$300 (\$240 for CNC Members)

Date	Time
July 6-10	9:30 am-3:30 pm
July 20-24	9:30 am-3:30 pm
Aug 10-14	9:30 am-3:30 pm

Each day of this camp will provide a unique opportunity for campers to challenge themselves or learn new skills. Campers will have the chance to kayak, bike (with their own bicycle), hike, explore a treetop zip line and develop strong outdoor skills all week long.

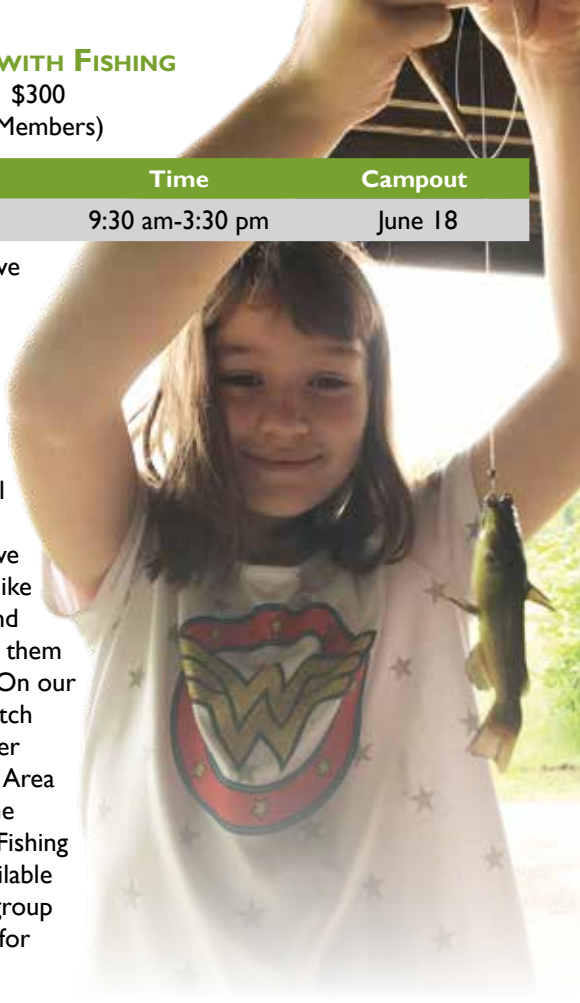


ADVENTURES WITH FISHING

11-15 year olds \$300
(\$240 for CNC Members)

Date	Time	Campout
June 15-19	9:30 am-3:30 pm	June 18

Whether you have a ton of fishing experience, or you'd like to try it for the first time, you'll have a fishtastic experience! We'll visit several local fishing spots as we learn which fish like which habitats and how to convince them to take the bait. On our campout, we'll pitch tents at Rifle River State Recreation Area and fish the prime hours by canoe. Fishing equipment is available for loan, and all group gear is provided for the campout.



LEADERS IN TRAINING (LIT)

12-14 year olds \$275 (\$220 for CNC Members)

Date	Time	Campout & High Ropes Course
July 13-17	9:30 am-3:30 pm	July 15

In this program, LITs learn leadership skills and methods of working with younger children. The overnight will provide LITs the opportunity to challenge themselves on a ropes course and improve communication skills, problem-solving and teamwork. The week culminates in being a "CIT for a day" helping counselors with their groups. LITs completing this program will be eligible to apply to volunteer as a Counselor-in-Training (CIT) for the remaining weeks of camp, in addition to Summer 2021.

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Full-Day Camps-2 Weeks

CHIPPEWA RANGERS

8-10 year olds \$380 (\$304 for CNC Members)

Date	Time	Campout*
June 15-19 \$ 22-26	9:30 am-3:30 pm	June 24
July 13-17 & 20-24	9:30 am-3:30 pm	July 22

Come experience camp at its best! Campers will spend two weeks exploring nature, building friendships and choosing which activities interest them the most. An all-day hike near Mt. Pleasant, a canoe trip under the Tridge and an overnight campout at the Homestead Farm are some of the highlights of this session.

*Please note: Drop off for the campout will be noon Wednesday and pick up will be noon Thursday of the second week.

ADVANCED CHIPPEWA RANGERS

9-11 year olds \$390 (\$312 for CNC Members)

Date	Time	Campout
July 6-10 & 13-17	9:30 am-3:30 pm	July 16
July 27-31 & Aug 3-7	9:30 am-3:30 pm	Aug 6

This one-of-a-kind camp gives kids the opportunity to dive into many topics at CNC with special off-site experiences. A live raptor presentation, a trip to a planetarium, exploration of Native American culture, a river trip in kayaks and overnight camp out at Hartwick Pines make this two-week adventure one you won't want to miss!

ECO ADVENTURES

10-12 year olds \$395 (\$316 for CNC Members)

Date	Time	Campout
July 20-24 & July 27-31	9:30 am-3:30 pm	July 29-31

Wilderness survival, wildlife ecology and Leave No Trace skills are all part of this adventure program! Spend two weeks learning more about the environment and how to care for it, all while having fun kayaking down the river, visiting local parks, exploring the woods and using your new skills! The camp experience culminates in a three-day, two-night campout at a Pigeon River State Forest campground.



Members save 20% off camp registration!

Adventure Trips

SOUTH MANITOU ISLAND ADVENTURE

11-13 year olds \$430 (\$344 for CNC Members)

Date	Time
July 27-31	9:30 am Mon-6 pm Fri
August 3-7	9:30 am Mon-6 pm Fri

Please note: Weather delays can occasionally result in the ferry returning up to 24 hrs late.

This island adventure is sure to be the highlight of your summer! After spending Monday night camping at Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore, we will take the ferry to South Manitou Island. There, we'll set up base camp from which we will explore the rest of the island. The days will be filled with fun and adventure as the group discovers abandoned farmsteads, the island cemetery, giant sand dunes and awesome sunsets. Teambuilding, natural art, games and other activities will help round out the days.

TIP-OF-THE-MITT HISTORY ADVENTURE

11-13 year olds \$430 (\$344 for CNC Members)

NEW!

Date	Time
Aug 10-14	9:30 am Mon-3:30 pm Fri

Witness a cannon blast at Fort Mackinac, talk with costumed interpreters at Colonial Michilimackinac and tour the 19th-century sawmill at Mill Creek Discovery Park as you and fellow campers bring history to life on this epic new adventure trip. Participants will camp at Wilderness State Park while experiencing the natural wonders of Michigan's Northern Lower Peninsula. If history and adventure is your thing, this trip is for you!

NORTH MANITOU ISLAND BACKPACKING

12-14 year olds \$430 (\$344 for CNC Members)

Date	Time
July 6-10	9:30 am Mon-6 pm Fri

Please note: Weather delays can occasionally result in the ferry returning up to 24 hrs late.

It's time to cross the big lake! North Manitou Island is more rustic than South Manitou, and gives us the opportunity to explore at our own pace. After spending Monday night camping on the mainland, we will head to the island. Each night, we will backpack to a new campsite, playing games, exploring and enjoying nature along the way. This beautiful island has miles of shoreline, dunes, forests, meadows and two inland lakes. Come explore with us!

CANOEING THE BIG MANISTEE

12-14 year olds \$430 (\$344 for CNC Members)

Date	Time
June 22-26	9:30 am Mon-4 pm Fri

Join us for an amazing trip down the Big Manistee River. On Monday, we'll head north and camp on the river bank before hopping into our canoes Tuesday morning. Each day, we'll paddle downriver, stopping at a different spot each night. With lots of wildlife and excellent fishing, there will be plenty of time for exploration and fun. You'll learn teamwork and communication skills while gaining a sense of accomplishment.

BACKPACKING THE PICTURED ROCKS

14-16 year olds \$685 (\$548/CNC Members)

Date	Time
July 14-22	9:30 am Tues-4 pm Wed

On this extended backpacking trip, you will have the opportunity to spend six days exploring the beauty of Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore. We will travel through the backcountry enjoying vistas of Lake Superior, finding waterfalls, and exploring beaches. We'll enjoy new friendships, learn new skills, and gain confidence as we successfully complete our route. The first day of this trip will include teambuilding, planning, and organizing for the trip. Our last night together, we'll celebrate by relaxing at Tahquamenon Falls. Join us for this amazing adventure and create memories that will last a lifetime!



Mini-Camps Aug 17-19

BUDDING NATURALISTS - FULL DAY OPTION!

5-6 year olds \$130 (\$104 for CNC Members)



Date	Time
August 17-19	9:30 am-3:30 pm

The very successful Budding Naturalist Series is scaling up! Campers will spend three full days becoming nature builders, artists, and chefs. They will engage with nature in the best projects and play experiences that the series has to offer!

HOP, SLITHER & CRAWL

6-7 year olds \$130 (\$104 for CNC Members)

Date	Time
August 17-19	9:30 am-3:30 pm

Frogs, turtles and snakes! Learn all about hopping, slithering and crawling amphibians and reptiles during this mini-camp. Campers will explore the woods, fields and ponds of CNC in search of these critters.

AQUATIC ADVENTURES

6-7 year olds \$130 (\$104 for CNC Members)



Date	Time
August 17-19	9:30 am-3:30 pm

Come explore the wonders of water! From full-body investigations of mud puddles to creature studies of the Wetlands' wildlife, campers will fall in love with the aquatic world. It is sure to be both wet n' wild!

HURRAY FOR HERPS!

7-9 year olds \$130 (\$104 for CNC Members)

Date	Time
August 17-19	9:30 am-3:30 pm

We'll spend three days searching for snakes, frogs, toads, turtles and salamanders all over the Nature Center. When we get tired of rolling logs and searching the river, we'll play games and make a few crafts as we learn about these amazing critters.

STEM INTO NATURE

7-9 year olds \$130 (\$104 for CNC Members)

Date	Time
August 17-19	9:30 am-3:30 pm

STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) is a natural fit for the outdoors. Investigate bird flight by conducting flight experiments, design the perfect small mammal trap to study animal behavior or engineer a solution to some of the environment's most cumbersome problems using teamwork and creative ingenuity. You've heard of makerspace, now it's time to visit Naturespace!

THAT'S GROSS!

8-10 year olds \$130 (\$104 for CNC Members)

Date	Time
August 17-19	9:30 am-3:30 pm

If things that slither, slime or sludge along are the things your camper loves best, then check out this camp. We'll study scat, sleuth out slugs, find insect-eating plants and explore countless gross, but amazing abilities of plants and animals right here in Michigan.

NATURE GAMES

10-12 year olds \$150 (\$120 for CNC Members)

Date	Time	Campout
August 17-19	9:30 am-3:30 pm	August 18

Are games your favorite part of camp? Do you love to run, jump, outsmart the other team and challenge yourself? This camp will focus on learning about elements of nature through games and having some plain old fun playing camp classics like Camouflage! and Capture the Flag. The campout will take place at the Homestead Farm.

ADVENTURE BLITZ

11-14 year olds \$150 (\$120 for CNC Members)

Date	Time
August 17-19	9:30 am-3:30 pm

A shortened version of the classic Adventure Camp, campers will have the opportunity to paddle the river, bike the local trails (with their own bicycle) and fish the local waters. While traversing the natural elements, the group will learn outdoor skills, conquer natural challenges and capture wild creatures.

PADDLING CAMP

13-15 year olds \$150 (\$120 for CNC Members)

Date	Time
August 17-19	9:30 am-3:30 pm

Grab a paddle and let's try three unique ways to travel the local waterways! On Monday, we'll take the canoes out on the Tittabawasee River and learn to work together. On Tuesday, we'll spend the day kayaking the Chippewa River. Then on Wednesday, we will head to William H. Haithco Recreation Area to try our luck at paddle boarding!



Members save 20% off camp registration!

Counselor-in-Training (CIT) Volunteer Opportunity *Ages 13-17*

Spend two weeks of your summer helping kids have an amazing experience!

Applications and more information available online. Deadline for applications is Fri, April 10



About CNC



19+ Miles of Trails

Open year-round, dawn-to-dark daily • Free and open to the public

Visitor Center

8-5 Mon-Sat • 12-5 Sun & select holidays

Closed Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve, Christmas, New Year's Eve & New Year's Day

MISSION: *To connect all people with nature through educational, recreational and cultural experiences.*

