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**Visitor Center Hours**  
8 am-5 pm Mon-Sat  
12-5 pm Sun & select holidays

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

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## NATURE ADVENTURES

Have an explorer at home that needs time adventuring in nature? Nature Adventure programs will provide children ages 5-12 with a chance to get outside in small groups and enjoy the wonders of nature.

**NEW!**

**Nature Adventures take place on Thursdays or Fridays from 2-3:30 pm:**

- Pond Exploration – Sept 11 or 17
- Meadow Exploration – Sept 25 or Oct 1
- Wetland Exploration – Oct 9 or 15
- Forest Exploration – Oct 23 or 29
- Creature Catching – Nov 6 or 12
- Nature Builders – Nov 20 or Dec 3
- Animal Tracking – Dec 11 or 17

### PER EVENT COST

\$10 (\$8/CNC member)

### REGISTRATION INFORMATION

See full program descriptions and register at [chippewanaturecenter.org/school-programs](http://chippewanaturecenter.org/school-programs)



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## At Home with Nature and Traveling Trunks

*Supporting Homeschool  
& Virtual Education*



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## AT HOME WITH NATURE PROGRAM

At Home with Nature is a program designed to supplement science and history homeschool education through fun, interactive, hands-on



activities. Each series consists of three programs, all held outdoors. Students ages 5-12 will be divided into groups based on their age. Each session is limited to 20 students, with students divided into two groups.

**At Home with Nature runs Tuesdays or Wednesdays from 10-11:30 am or 1-2:30 pm. Below is the 2020-21 schedule:**

### Early Fall Series - Animals

Sept 8 or 9 Amphibians  
Sept 22 or 23 Insects  
Oct 6 or 7 Fish

### Late Fall Series - Geography & Outdoor Skills

Oct 20 or 21 Orienteering  
Nov 3 or 4 Geography & Mapping  
Nov 17 or 18 Geocaching

### Early Spring - Friends & Foes in Nature

March 23 or 24 Invasive Exotics  
April 6 or 7 Endangered Species  
April 20 or 21 Nature's Untouchables

### Late Spring - Animal Movement

May 4 or 5 Animal Locomotion  
May 18 or 19 Tracks & Animal Signs  
June 1 or 2 Migration

*\*Topics may shift within the series due to weather or other conditions.*



## SERIES COSTS

Each series is \$20 per student and \$18 for each additional sibling. (CNC members: \$16 per student, \$14.40 for each additional sibling.)

*Series must be registered for as a package, and missed sessions cannot be made up or refunded. Individual sessions will be cancelled due to weather or program restrictions at CNC's discretion. Sessions cancelled by CNC will be refunded.*

## REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Register on the CNC website at [chippewanaturecenter.org/school-programs](http://chippewanaturecenter.org/school-programs)

- Pre-registration is required at least one week before the start of the series.
- A complete health form must be on file.
- The family must answer COVID-19 exposure screening questions, and the student's temperature will be taken before they may join each class.
- Sessions will take place entirely outdoors and will be canceled at CNC's discretion if weather is severe.
- Masks must be worn by adults during drop off and pick up.
- Staff will wear masks when distancing cannot be maintained during programs.
- Children must wear masks when distancing cannot be maintained.
- Groups will be kept to 12 children or fewer.



## TRAVELING TRUNKS

Checking out a trunk will provide you and your family access to a variety of activities and materials to enhance learning. From furs and skulls, to 1870s games, to replica Native American tools, learning will come alive when you bring a trunk home. Trunk fees are \$25 for two weeks.

### Animal Classification

**Grade: K-3**

This trunk includes mammal furs, bird feathers, a turtle shell, snake skin and a rubber fish to compare the outer coverings of most vertebrate animal groups. Also included in the trunk are hands-on lessons to aid educators in teaching classification of animals based on observable characteristics.

### Homestead Life

**Grade: K-5**

This trunk uses a variety of artifacts to teach children about Michigan farm life in the 1870s. Included in the trunk are items such as McGuffey readers, toys and games typically played, clothes, butter molds, wool carders and much more! There is also a written packet with background information and activity ideas. There is also a binder with background information and hands-on activities.

### Furs & Skulls

**Grade: K-8**

Included in this trunk are the skulls and furs to compare carnivores, herbivores and omnivores. Skulls and furs of a coyote, raccoon, rabbit, beaver and deer are in the trunk. Also included are activity and identification guides.

### Rocks and Minerals

**Grade: 3-6**

Filled with samples of igneous, sedimentary and metamorphic rocks as well as many samples of minerals, this trunk enables educators to bring geology to life in the classroom. The kit includes a set of minerals and testing supplies to do basic mineral testing for identification purposes. Activity supplies and outlines are provided.

### Native American Uses of Natural Resources

**Grade: 3-7**

Use this Traveling Trunk to discover how Native Americans interacted with natural resources a thousand years ago. Reproduction items include an arrow, stone drill, stone point and stone knife. Among other items, the trunk also includes a brain tanned hide, beaver pelt, fire making kit and baskets.

### Invasive Species

**Grade: 3-8**

This trunk includes activities focusing on identification of invasive exotic species, management, the impact exotic species have on ecosystems and more. It's packed full of hands-on lessons, pictures, books, videos and posters!