

# Summer Nature Camp Outdoor Experiences 2021

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## Online Registration ONLY

Registration is required for all camps. **Register online ONLY at [www.clevelandmetroparks.com](http://www.clevelandmetroparks.com).** Credit card information is required for registration.

**Please have the following information ready when you register:**

Camper's name, address, birthday, your name, address, phone number, email address, and your credit card information (number, billing address, expiration date, security code). *It is best to already have an account set-up on the Cleveland Metroparks website.*

If you are in need of a scholarship, please call the number listed for that specific camp. **Scholarship deadline is February 16, 2021.**

**NOTE:** Camp fees are non-refundable and non-transferable.

Donations are welcome to support the Outdoor Experiences Summer Day Camp Scholarship Fund.

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Registration begins **March 2nd at 9:00 a.m.** for Cuyahoga County and Hinckley Township residents.

**9:00 a.m. registration will include:**

Euclid Creek Reservation  
North Chagrin Reservation  
South Chagrin Reservation

**9:30 a.m. registration will include:**

Rocky River Reservation  
West Creek Reservation

**10:00 a.m. registration will include:**

Bedford Reservation  
Garfield Reservation  
Lakefront Reservation  
Ohio & Erie Canal Reservation

**10:30 a.m. registration will include:**

Brecksville Reservation  
Hinckley Reservation  
Mill Stream Run Reservation

Registration begins **March 9<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m.** for all other participants.

## **Phone Numbers-**

Brecksville Nature Center: 440-526-1012  
CanalWay Center: 216-206-1000  
North Chagrin Nature Center: 440-473-3370  
Outdoor Recreation: 216-341-1704  
Rocky River Nature Center: 440-734-6660  
Watershed Stewardship Center: 440-887-1968

## **Bedford Reservation**

### **June 29-July 1**

#### **Hilltop Hikers Camp**

Some of the best views in Cleveland Metroparks are at the tops of our tallest hills. We will explore hidden terrain, towering waterfalls and picturesque peaks in search of the best scenes nature has to offer.

10 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. BeR

Fee: \$90.75

Age: 9-11 years

### **July 13-15**

#### **Creek-Walkers Camp**

Creek walking brings a whole new perspective to nature. With wet feet and a thirst for adventure, we will descend into deep ravines to scale waterfalls, scramble boulders and search for interesting wildlife.

10 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. BeR

Fee: \$90.75

Age: 6-8 years

### **July 29**

#### **Teen Mountain Bike Skills Camp**

Come ride with us and learn new mountain biking skills as we build confidence on the trails. Each teen will be taught fundamental bike movements like balance and control before progressing to harder skills and obstacles later in the day. Better understanding the mechanics of gearing and braking will also be a focus. Youth should be competent at riding a bike on a paved path before registering for this program. Please bring a packed lunch and water bottle.

Bedford Reservation

Egbert Picnic Area

216-341-1704

Fee: \$50 (bike and helmet included, or bring your own)

9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Age: 12 - 15 years

**August 3-5**

**Creek-Walkers Camp**

Creek walking brings a whole new perspective to nature. With wet feet and a thirst for adventure, we will descend into deep ravines to scale waterfalls, scramble boulders and search for interesting wildlife.

10 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. BeR

Fee: \$90.75

Age: 9-11 years

**Brecksville Reservation**

**June 15-17**

**Fun on the Family Farm**

What was it like to grow up on a family farm in the late 1800s? This camp will immerse your child into many of the aspects of a historic rural upbringing. They will learn firsthand about daily chores, tools, farm animals, making homemade butter and ice cream, grinding grain, making toys and more... all through fun activities, songs and games.

10 a.m. – 1 p.m. BNC

Trailside Program Center

Fee: \$66

Age: 6 – 8 years

**June 28-30 OR Aug 3-5**

**Trailside Explorers**

This new camp takes exploration to a new level! Spend the days exploring the creeks, forests and fields in Brecksville Reservation. We will search for a variety of animals in these habitats, play some games and make a few crafts.

10 a.m. - 2 p.m. BNC

Trailside Program Center

Fee: \$66

Age: 6 - 8 years

**June 28-July 1**

**Primitive Skills Camp - Advanced**

This camp is for those who have learned the basics and are ready to move on to more advanced skills including creating fire with a bow drill, making a coal-burned bowl, trying a few life-saving knots, crafting a hiking stick, making lunch over the campfire and much more. Led by Naturalist Jenny McClain.

*\*Registration is limited to those who have previously taken the Beginner Primitive Skills Camp.*

10 a.m. – 2 p.m. BR

Ottawa Point Picnic Area

Fee: \$104

Age: 10 – 14 years

**July 6-8****Diggin' Dinos & Dirt Camp**

If you love digging in the dirt, this camp is for you! We'll spend the week exploring dinosaurs and fossils, and even complete a mini excavation!

10 a.m. – 2 p.m. BNC

Trailside Program Center

Fee: \$74

Age: 8 – 11 years

**July 19-21****Nature Crafts Camp**

Let's explore art and nature together! We are going to blend a fun week of camp activities like games and exploring with a TON of nature-inspired crafts!

10 a.m. – 2 p.m. BNC

Trailside Program Center

Fee: \$78

Age: 8 – 12 years

**July 27 OR 29****Archery Youth Day JR**

Join Naturalist Jenny McClain, USA Archery certified instructor, to learn the basics of the sport, enjoy friendly competition playing archery games, and learn how to properly care for archery equipment. All equipment is provided.

10 a.m. – 3 p.m. BR

York Road Archery Range

Fee: \$35

Age: 9 – 12 years

**July 30****Archery Youth Day SR**

Join Naturalist Jenny McClain, USA Archery certified instructor, to learn the basics of the sport, enjoy friendly competition playing archery games, and learn how to properly care for archery equipment. All equipment is provided.

10 a.m. – 3 p.m. BR

York Road Archery Range

Fee: \$35

Age: 13 – 17 years

**Aug 10-12**

**Nature Nut Camp**

Help your child connect to the natural world by experiencing it up close and personal. This camp will delve into the “- ologies” of natural history through cool take-home projects, adventurous hikes and deep studies of insects, trees, mammals, birds, reptiles and amphibians.

10 a.m. – 2 p.m. BNC

Trailside Program Center

Fee: \$66

Age: 8 – 10 years

**Hinckley Reservation**

**June 22-24 OR July 27-29**

**Camp Hinckley**

Join us for three days of adventure on the ground, on the water and in the air! Campers should be ready to fish, hike, rock climb and kayak in Hinckley Reservation.

10 a.m. – 2 p.m. HiR

Hinckley Lake Boathouse & Store

Fee: \$90

Age: 10-13 years

**June 28 OR July 7**

**Climb the Ledge Youth Day**

Spend a day exploring Hinckley Reservation’s natural rock maze! After hiking through Whipp’s Ledges, your camper goes vertical. Learn climbing techniques, basic knots, and climbing safety. Please bring a packed lunch and water bottle.

Hinckley Reservation

Top O’Ledges Picnic Area

216-341-1704

Fee: \$50 (equipment included)

9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Age: 10 - 15 years

**June 16, June 30 OR July 19**

**Paddlesports Youth Day**

Spend a hot summer day learning new ways to have fun on the water. Whether you’re balancing on a stand up paddleboard or exploring nature from a boat, you are sure to stay cool. Be prepared to get wet! Please bring a packed lunch and water bottle.

Hinckley Reservation

Hinckley Lake Boathouse

216-341-1704

Fee: \$50 (equipment included)

9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Age: 10 - 15 years

## **July 13-15**

### **Life of a Voyageur - Camp**

The fur trade era was an exciting yet hard life for the early explorers and paddlers who traversed the Great Lakes by BIG canoes. This camp will test your strength, fur trade knowledge, and team work skills. Each young Voyageur will learn the Fur Trade way by paddling the big canoe, portaging, making a fire with flint and steel, bartering and much more! Through hands-on activities, games and on-the-water experience, each camper will graduate as a Voyageur... if you're tough enough?!

10 a.m. – 2 p.m. HiR

Boathouse Landing/Johnson's Picnic Area

Fee: \$95

Age: 12 – 14

## **August 4-6**

### **Adventure Seeker Series Camp**

Seek adventure while finding new ways to explore Cleveland Metroparks. Spend a day paddling multiple craft on beautiful Hinckley Lake. On another day, embark on an excursion to find intricate rock carvings with a mission to staying found along the way. You'll even spend the day exploring Hinckley Reservation by ledge while learning to rock climb. Adventure is around every bend during this thrilling camp! Actual activities for the day are based on weather and water conditions. Please bring a packed lunch, and be prepared to get wet every day as the activities may be switched to accommodate weather conditions.

Hinckley Reservation

Hinckley Lake Boathouse

216-341-1704

Fee: \$150 (equipment included)

9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Age: 10 - 15 years

## **Lakefront Reservation**

### **June 23-25 OR July 21-23**

#### **Watersports Adventure Camp**

Make a splash this summer! Explore Lake Erie by boat and board while learning about water quality. Sail with the winds, paddle the waves, and build your own cardboard boat. Builders and adventure seekers will love this camp on Lake Erie's shores. On the water fun is guaranteed; however, participants may not experience all activities due to weather and water conditions. Please bring a packed lunch, and be prepared to get wet every day.

Lakefront Reservation

Wendy Park

216-341-1704

Fee: \$175 (equipment included)

9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Age: 10 - 15 years

**July 1, July 15 OR August 2**

**Youth Sailing Camp**

Spend a day learning to sail on the inner harbor of Lake Erie. Learn the basics of sailing focusing on terminology, etiquette, reading the wind, tacking, gybing and how to handle emergencies. Please bring a packed lunch and water bottle. Come prepared to get wet.

Lakefront Reservation

Wendy Park

216-341-1704

Fee: \$75 (includes equipment)

9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Age: 10 – 15 years

**Mill Stream Run Reservation**

**June 8-10**

**Primitive Skills Camp - Beginner**

Join Naturalist Jenny McClain to learn primitive skills. Start a fire with flint and steel, build a debris shelter, find your way with map and compass and more. Participants must come all 3 days.

10 a.m. – 2 p.m. MSRR

W. J. Green Lodge

Fee: \$78

Age: 9 – 12 years

**North Chagrin Reservation**

**June 16-18 OR July 14-16**

**Wild Things**

What's your favorite animal? Each day we will experience the pond, forest or meadow through the eyes of a wild creature. With imaginative play and exploration, we'll get a hands-on look at their lives and the natural world.

10 a.m. – 2p.m. NCNC

Age: 6 – 8 years

Fee: \$66

**June 23-25, July 7-9 OR July 21-23**

**Critter Camp**

It's all about the animals! Come explore a wetland, creek and forest in search of tadpoles, frogs, salamanders and insects. Children will use dip nets, go on a creek walk, lift logs in the forest and play animal-inspired games.

10 a.m. – 2 p.m. NCNC

Age: 5 – 7 years

Fee: \$66

**June 28-30 OR July 26-28**

**Future Scientists**

The perfect camp for children who like hands-on experiments, exploration hikes, and whose favorite question is “why?” North Chagrin Reservation will be our laboratory for amazing science discoveries and fun adventures!

10 a.m. – 4 p.m. NCNC

Age: 8 – 10 years

Fee: \$117

**July 12-16 OR July 19-23 OR July 26-30**

**Nature Preschool Mini Summer Sessions**

An extension of our highly popular licensed Nature Preschool Program, our mini summer sessions are taught by expert early childhood educators. We will connect children with the natural world while building young minds. Customize your own summer experience by signing up for one or more weeks.

8:30 – 11:30 a.m. NCNC

Age: 3 – 5 years (must be potty trained)

Fee: \$165

**July 13-15 OR July 20-22 OR July 27-29**

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12:30 – 3:30 p.m. NCNC

Age: 3 – 5 years (must be potty trained)

Fee: \$100

**July 14-16**

**Forest Friends**

First-time campers will become a friend of the forest as they engage in fun, hands-on nature games and activities. Trail walks, animal encounters, songs, stories and art projects are all part of the fun.

10 a.m. – noon NCNC

Age: 4 – 5 years

Fee: \$33



**August 4-6 OR August 11-13**

**Creek Crawlers**

Come explore the streams, discover the waterfalls, and investigate life within the water. We'll hike new trails daily and uncover amazing wildlife.

10 a.m. – 2 p.m. NCNC

Age: 7 – 9 years

Fee: \$66

**Ohio & Erie Canal Reservation**

**June 15-17**

**CanalWay Little Explorers Camp**

Join us for three afternoons of exploring. We will investigate the local animals, plants, waters, and land of the Ohio & Erie Canal Reservation. What animal left this behind? Who eats that plant? Why did this tree grow here?

1 – 4 p.m. CWC

Age: 5 - 6 years

Fee: \$49.50

**June 22-24**

**CanalWay Camper**

We'll spend the next three days discovering the skills of an extreme camper through fun and games. We'll learn how to use a compass, hike, build a fire, play games, and go fishing. Be ready to get dirty exploring as we master the art of camping.

10a.m. – 3:30 p.m. CWC

Age: 6 - 8 years

Fee: \$90.75

**July 6-8**

**Hidden Valley Survival**

Join us for three days of early survivor skills, activities, and games. We'll enjoy many American Indian tasks like archery, atlatl, canoeing, stalking prey, making fire, and relating to nature.

Thursday will meet at the Hinckley Lake Boathouse.

10 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. CWC

Age: 10 - 12 years

Fee: \$107.25

**July 20-22**

**CanalWay Adventure Camp**

We'll spend three days doing different recreational activities in nature. Learn about archery, hiking, fishing, and biking. You must provide your own bike (with helmet) and know how to ride it for bike day.

10 a.m. – 4 p.m. CWC

Fee: \$99

Age: 9-11 years

**July 27-29**

**CanalWay Investigators**

Join us for three days of questioning nature. We will investigate the local mammals, reptiles, amphibians, insects, and birds. What animal lives here? Whose scat is this? Who eats who in our food chain? Who made these tracks?

10 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. CWC

Age: 7 - 9 years

Fee: \$90.75

**August 10-12**

**CanalWay Nature Explorers**

Join us for three days of questioning nature. We will investigate the local animals, plants, waters, and land of the Ohio & Erie Canal Reservation. What animal lives here and left this behind? Who eats that plant? Where did this water come from? Why did this tree grow here?

10 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. CWC

Ages: 6 - 8 years

Fee: \$90.75

**August 17-19**

**CanalWay Preschool Camp**

Join us for an adventure to see what lives in our wetland and our woods. We will do crafts, read stories, play games, go on hikes and meet some animals. Be ready to explore and have fun!

10 a.m. – Noon CWC

Age: 3 - 4 years

Fee: \$33

**Rocky River Reservation**

**June 7-11 OR June 14-18 OR June 21-25 OR June 28 – July 2**

**Nature Preschool Mini Summer Sessions**

An extension of our highly popular licensed Nature Preschool Program, our mini summer sessions are taught by expert early childhood educators. We will connect children with the natural world while building young minds. Customize your own summer experience by signing up for one or more weeks.

8:30 – 11:30 a.m. RRNC

Age: 3 – 5 years (must be potty trained)

Fee: \$165

**June 8-10 OR June 15-17 OR June 22-24 OR June 29 – July 1**

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12:30 – 3:30 p.m. RRNC

Age: 3 – 5 years (must be potty trained)

Fee: \$100

**June 8-10, July 27-29 OR August 3-5**

**Trail Blazers**

Bring your boots! Join a naturalist for three days of fort-building, crayfish-catching, frog-spotting, forest hiking, pond-dipping, a campfire and more. We'll learn about Rocky River's wildlife and get some great exercise.

10 a.m. - 2 p.m. RRNC

Ages: 5 -7 years

Fee: \$66

**July 28-30 OR August 3-5**

**Stream Stomp**

Come stomp, splash and discover the amazing Rocky River at this wet and watery camp. We'll explore the river and the life held within its banks.

10 a.m. – 2 p.m. RRNC

Age: 7 - 9 years

Fee: \$66

**June 15-17**

**Habitat Heroes**

Become a real life hero as we work together to help keep our habitats healthy! We'll learn to upcycle trash into treasures, clean up our water, and look for creatures that will benefit from our hard work. Each day includes a mini service project.

10 a.m. – 2 p.m. RRNC

Age: 7 – 9 years

Fee: \$66

**June 23-25 OR July 14-16**

**Home Sweet Habitat**

Spend the week learning about different animals' homes and what all living things need to survive! Each day of camp we will learn about a different thing that needs to be in an animal's habitat through games and songs.

10 a.m. – noon RRNC

Age: 4 - 6 years

Fee: \$33

**June 28-30 OR August 10-12**

**Things With Wings**

Preschoolers will explore the wonderful world of flying things in this hands-on exploration camp. Join a naturalist to learn more about the incredible world of these winged-wonders.

10 a.m. – noon RRNC

Ages: 4 - 6 years

Fee: \$33

**July 6-8 OR July 20-22**

**Stream Stomp Littles**

Come discover and explore the remarkable Rocky River from a knee-high perspective. We will play, use our imagination, be creative and have a splashing good time. Rubber boots recommended.

10 a.m. – noon RRNC

Age: 5 – 6 years

Fee: \$33

**South Chagrin Reservation**

**June 7-9 OR July 5-7**

**Forest Friends**

First-time campers will become a friend of the forest as they engage in fun, hands-on nature games and activities. Trail walks, animal encounters, songs, stories and art projects are all part of the fun.

10 a.m. – noon SCR

Look About Lodge

Age: 4 – 5 years

Fee: \$33

**June 14-16**

**Chagrin Navigators**

Does your kid love getting lost in the woods? Let's become confident explorers as we search for natural wonders by map, compass, and GPS. Each day will bring a new challenge as we learn how wildlife finds their way. Send your camper prepared to get wet, muddy, and exhilarated!

10 a.m. – 4 p.m. SCR

Look About Lodge

Age: 8 – 10 years

Fee: \$99

**June 21-23 OR August 2-4**

**Nature Quest**

Climb the highest hills! Cross the winding rivers! Catch bugs, fish, and butterflies while participating in fun challenges on the ultimate quest to explore nature.

10 a.m. – 4 p.m. SCR

Look About Lodge  
Age: 6 – 8 years  
Fee: \$99

**June 28-30**

**Wild Things**

What's your favorite animal? Each day we will experience the pond, forest or meadow through the eyes of a wild creature. With imaginative play and exploration, we'll get a hands-on look at their lives and the natural world.

10 a.m. – 2p.m. SCR  
Look About Lodge  
Age: 6 – 8 years  
Fee: \$66

**July 12-14 OR July 19-21**

**Go Outside Camp**

We'll get your child's heart pumping and spirits up with timeless summer experiences of catching insects, creek walks, and group games. Adventurous activities will be balanced with time for free play and exploration.

10 a.m. – 2 p.m. SCR  
Look About Lodge  
Age: 5 – 7 years  
Fee: \$66

**July 28-30**

**Creek Crawlers**

Come explore the streams, discover the waterfalls, and investigate life within the water. We'll hike new trails daily and uncover amazing wildlife.

10 a.m. – 2 p.m. SCR  
Look About Lodge  
Age: 7 – 9 years  
Fee: \$66

**West Creek Reservation**

**June 9 - 11 OR July 21 – 23**

**Creek Explorers**

Have you ever wondered how our creeks are formed and what might be living in the water? Come splash around and discover what lies hidden beneath the surface of our water features.

10 a.m. – 3 p.m. WSC  
Age: 7 – 9 years  
Fee: \$83

**June 16-18, July 14-16 OR August 4-6**

**Science of Survival**

Can you eat that plant? How do you start a fire without matches? Can you build a shelter to withstand a storm? Learn how to survive in the wilds of West Creek.

10 a.m. – 3 p.m. WSC

Age: 9 – 12 years

Fee: \$98

**June 23-25**

**eARTH: Art in Nature**

Learn and create with nature. Travel the trails and the waterways of West Creek's backyard in this exploratory camp while we discover the natural world with art as our compass.

10 a.m. – 3 p.m. WSC

Age: 8 – 10 years

Fee: \$98

**July 7-9**

**River to Lake Adventure JR**

Discover two of North East Ohio's greatest natural treasures, the Cuyahoga River and Lake Erie. Canoe and ride a boat along the crooked river and then sail on Lake Erie as we discoverer their natural and cultural history along the way. (Transportation provided)

10 a.m. – 3 p.m. WSC

Age: 9 – 12 years

Fee: \$110

**July 28-30**

**River to Lake Adventure SR**

Discover two of North East Ohio's greatest natural treasures, the Cuyahoga River and Lake Erie. Canoe and ride a boat along the crooked river and then sail on Lake Erie as we discoverer their natural and cultural history along the way. (Transportation provided)

10 a.m. – 3 p.m. WSC

Age: 12 – 14 years

Fee: \$110