

Summer Nature Program

Join us! Right here, in-person, at The Wetlands Institute!

Spend a week (or two or three!) discovering the New Jersey Shore in a fun and hands-on way. Engage in science experimentation and exploration, play games, go on field trips, explore the beach, create arts and crafts, and so much more all while enjoying a new theme each week.

For children ages 5-13, programs are held weekly from June 30 - August 25, 2021 and include field trips and beach days. Children age 4 can enjoy special programs during the weeks of June 30, July 5, July 19, August 2, August 16 and August 23, 2021.

Children age 4 attend programs daily from 9:30am - 12:00pm and children ages 5-13 attend programs daily from 9:30am - 2:00pm.

June 30-July 2

Creation Nation: Crafting with Nature

Get your artistic juices flowing this week! We'll be learning about nature while we use natural materials in a variety of ways to have fun creating all kinds of cool and awesome arts and crafts.

July 5-9

Wild Walks: Explore the Shore

Locating coastal habitats and their wild treasures are all part of this week's quest. Bring your sense of adventure! We'll be making maps and following the changing clues as we go on safari from one seaside area to another.

Field Trip to Higbee Beach Wildlife Management Area.

July 12-16

Nature's STEAM, STREAMs, & STEMs

Everywhere we look we are surrounded by nature's inspiration. Fish and submarines, nests and shelters, wings and airplanes: it's all about the shape and patterns of things. Bring your thinking cap this week. We'll be examining natural structures, then designing and building some of our own.

Field Trip to Two Mile Beach, Cape May National Wildlife Refuge.

July 19-23

Close Encounters with Micro-Macro Wildlife

How would it feel to be the size of a newly hatched snail? What would the view be like soaring on the edge of an osprey's wing? What would you need to hang on tight as the waves crash in and out with the tides? Let's take a look at nature up, down, over, under, near and far to imagine life on a different scale.

Field Trip to Cox Hall Creek Wildlife Management Area.

July 26-30

Weather or Not Climate Science

Sun, clouds, wind, rain, and storm, from one day to the next the conditions outside are changing. We're predicting a flood of science fun for this week. Rain or shine.

Field Trip to ACUA Wind Farm.

August 2-6

Fins, Scutes, Scales, & Tails

It's turtally awesome to dive into this reptilian and amphibious world! To turtles, fish, toads, lizards and snakes, living is the name of the game. With body parts, behaviors, habitats, and more, you'll discover exactly what it takes to survive.

Field Trip to Cape May Point State Park.

August 9-13

Secrets of the Way Down Under

Discover the creatures that live lives unseen. Dissect logs and shake, shake, shake to see how soil is made. The underground is full of tales of cycles, ebbs and flows, landscapes, and wildlife. Get ready to dig in and explore how the land has changed wildlife and ... how wildlife has changed the land.

Field Trip to Belleplain State Forest.

August 16-20

Marine Mammals and the Sea Life Web

Beams of sunlight energy join all life in the ocean, and on land. Let's connect to the ocean's internet as we weave our way around the watery food web from the tiniest plankton to the humongous, hungry whales.

Field Trip to Cape May Whale Watch and Research Center.

August 23-25

Creation Nation: Seashells in My Pockets

You've been collecting shells all summer long. Now flex your creative mollusks and let's create some fun crafts and art while we learn about the animals that made them. Memories of your summer fun. Littorally!



2021 Summer Nature Program Participant Registration Form

Please submit one application per participant. We cannot accept participant registration by phone. Mail, email, fax or walk-in completed application (registration and permission form) with full payment to:

The Wetlands Institute
1075 Stone Harbor Boulevard
Stone Harbor, NJ 08247

Email: admissions@wetlandsinstitute.org • Fax: (609) 368-3871 • Any Questions? (609) 368-1211

Summer Nature Program Availability, Theme and Pricing Information

	June 30-July 2 <i>Creation Nation: Nature</i>	July 5-9 <i>Explore the Shore</i>	July 12-16 <i>STEAM, STREAMS, & STEMs</i>	July 19-23 <i>Close Encounters</i>	July 26-30 <i>Weather or Not Climate Science</i>	August 2-6 <i>Fins, Scutes, Scales & Tails</i>	August 9-13 <i>Secrets of Way Down Under</i>	August 16-20 <i>Marine Mammals</i>	August 23-25 <i>Creation Nation: Seashells</i>
Age 4	\$105	\$175		\$175		\$175		\$175	\$105
Age 5	\$175	\$250	\$250	\$250	\$250	\$250	\$250	\$275	\$175
Ages 6-7	\$175	\$250	\$250	\$250	\$250	\$250	\$250	\$275	\$175
Ages 8-9	\$175	\$250	\$250	\$250	\$250	\$250	\$250	\$275	\$175
Ages 10-13	\$175	\$250	\$250	\$250	\$250	\$250	\$250	\$275	\$175

Participant Information

Participant Name (Please Print):	Age as of June 30, 2021:
Parent/Grandparent/Guardian Name (Please Print):	
Email Address (Required for Registration Confirmation):	
Winter Mailing Address: (Valid from _____ to _____)	Phone:
Summer Mailing Address: (Valid from _____ to _____)	Phone:

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Register by May 1, 2021 and receive a discount! Age 4 receives \$5.00 off and ages 5-13 receive \$10.00 off!

Program Dates	Program Theme and Age Group	Program Fee
T-shirt Size Circle One: XS S M L XL *For safety reasons, our t-shirt is required for all age groups. Adult sizes upon request, extra charge. Order now, pick up first day.		+ \$12.00 youth / + \$14.00 adult
Members Only Discount (\$15.00 per program)		-
Early Registration Discount (\$5.00 or \$10.00 per program)		-
Total Amount Due		

Choose payment method. Full payment must accompany complete application.

Please Note: Payment is nonrefundable unless notice of withdrawal is given 30 days prior to the start of the program.

Any program changes will incur a \$10.00 administrative fee.

Credit Card     Cash Check payable to "The Wetlands Institute"

Card #: _____ CVV _____ Exp. _____ Name on Card: _____

Regardless of payment method, please sign and date. Signature: _____ Date: _____



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2021 Summer Nature Program Participant Permission Form
All information will be kept confidential.

Participant's Name: _____

Age as of June 30, 2021: _____

Date(s) of Registered Program(s): _____

I, _____, hereby give permission for _____
(Parent/Grandparent/Guardian Name—Please Print) (Child's Name—Please Print)

to participate in Summer Nature Program on site at The Wetlands Institute, at Stone Harbor Point beach dune areas (ages 5–13), and on special field trips off the Institute grounds specified at the beginning of each week (ages 5–13). I recognize that The Wetlands Institute reserves the right to change plans if weather or other circumstances dictate.

I understand that The Wetlands Institute staff will take all precautions to ensure the welfare of my child. I understand that activities can bring with them dangers from known and unexpected risks. I do waive and release any and all rights and claims for damages I may have against The Wetlands Institute and its staff for any injuries that may be suffered by the child named above during this program.

I give permission for The Wetlands Institute staff to administer emergency first aid in the event of an accident. I further give permission for the staff to take my child to the hospital if in their opinion this is necessary. I understand that every effort will be made to notify me in the event of an emergency. I give permission for a staff member to drive my child in his/her own car if this is necessary.

In signing this agreement I certify that my child is healthy and free from problems that could be detrimental to his/her safety and that of others involved in Summer Nature Program. I am aware that precautions will be taken to avoid tick-infested areas, but I understand that ticks are an ongoing problem in New Jersey and that they can be picked up anywhere in the out-of-doors.

I authorize The Wetlands Institute to have and use photographs of the above named child as may be needed or for public relations purposes.

Signature: _____ Relationship to Child: _____ Date: _____

Emergency Contact and Healthy History Information

Primary Contact	Secondary Contact
Name:	Name:
Relationship to Child:	Relationship to Child:
Daytime Phone #:	Daytime Phone #:
Cell Phone #:	Cell Phone #:

Please indicate if your child has any allergies. If so, please explain or provide more detail as necessary.

None Bee Stings: Yes / No Medications: Yes / No Food/Drink: Yes / No Other Allergies: Yes / No

Please list any disabilities or medical conditions that our staff should be aware of:

