Adventure Camp 2023 Weekly Themes & Schedule



Journeyman Adventure campers meet Monday through Friday from 9:00 am – 3:30 pm each day, except for Late-night Adventure Thursdays when they stay for a cookout and campfire games until 7:00pm.

Grades 6th-8th (Except for July 5th-7th)

<u>Identification Olympics I (June 26 – 30)</u>

Learn how to identify everything from dragonflies and birds to trees and frogs, as we crisscross our region in search of all creatures great and small.! Make your own butterfly/dragonfly nets, master the use of binoculars, and other science equipment, and aid NCNC in our land stewardship efforts. During the week, your team's challenge is to put your newfound knowledge to work by finding more than 200 different species of plants and animals! You have just one week. Can your team, do it? We'll contribute our findings to iNaturalist, eBird, and other community science projects.

Advanced Paddle Masters: (July 5 – July 7) 3-Day - Grades 8-10

Older campers, here's your chance to master new skills, improve your paddling prowess, and take on more advanced paddling challenges. Try your hand at paddling in a wildlife-rich saltmarsh, a scenic lake or meandering river. We'll top off our week kayaking out to the Norwalk islands. We'll also make time to swim and exploring the shores for wildlife.



<u>Survival and Robotics Week – Natural and Man-Made Challenges (July 10 – July 14)</u>

See what it takes to survive in the wild and how local wildlife thrives in their habitats. In the mornings, learn basic survival skills, including shelter- and fire-building, knot tying, first aid, and knife work, while exploring the great outdoors for wildlife. In the afternoons, hone your engineering skills tackling robotics projects using LEGO Robotics. Challenge yourself; test your abilities and learn some new ones! **No Thursday late-night this week.**

Paddle Masters (July 17 – July 21)

A canoe can take you to hidden places inaccessible by foot where wildlife often hides. Come explore our reginal waterways! in search of local creatures and good times on the water, while mastering your paddling skills. We'll have lunch on an island, visit a series of chain lakes, paddle in ponds, and enjoy scenic lakes and rivers. There will be swimming, and time to explore the shores during this week of water-filled adventure.



Identification Olympics II - Advanced (July 24 – July 28)

Late summer offers new wildlife identification challenges. Come wade into rivers, wander forests, climb ridges, and explore wetlands as we visit a series of new and premier sites in search of wildlife. This time, we're challenging your team to find and identify more than <u>225</u> different species of plants and animals in a week. Are you up for the challenge? We'll visit some new sites, find incredible creatures, learn new citizen science skills, and make new friends, as we track down and identify local wildlife!



Explore the Outdoors II (July 31 – August 4)



Test your knowledge and learn new skills as we visit the many amazing places that critters call home. From hidden waterways to meandering streams, scenic cascades to ancient forests, we'll search out wildlife where they live. Whether we're hiking ridgelines with amazing views, visiting the Leatherman's Cave, or wading after turtles in a stream, there's a world of hidden treasures to discover in our end of the summer sampler. Join us for adventures to remember!

A 5-day weekly fee of \$578 features:*

- Maximum of 12 campers per session (counselor-camper ratio of 1:6).
- > Off-site field trips exploring local hideaways, trails, and waterways by foot and canoe.
- Thursday late-night fireside/cookout experience in the "wilds" of the Nature Center
- Dinner for Thursday Late-night Adventure.
- Two experienced, highly trained staff with certifications in Wilderness First Aid, CPR, Lifeguarding & Small Watercraft Safety.

^{*}Advanced Paddle Masters Week (July 5 – July 7) 3-Day - Grades 8-10 is \$347