

Heckrodt Wetland Reserve includes 76 acres of forested wetland, wetland meadow, open water, and upland field communities.



The wheelchair & stroller-friendly 3+ mile boardwalk trail system allows access to the wetland without getting wet feet! The Reserve is home to a variety of mammals, birds, insects, reptiles, and amphibians. Facilities include a nature center with indoor living wetland and live reptiles, amphibians, and fish, as well as mounted specimens of Wisconsin mammals and bird species. Educational programs are provided for schools, daycares, special focus groups (pre-school, grade school, and senior citizens), and the general public. Our goal is to provide visitor education while fostering an ethic of environmental stewardship in a fun, hands-on atmosphere.

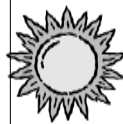
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Spring School Field Trips Offered April/May 2018



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School Programs at Heckrodt...

- Programs are designed to be 2 hour sessions, unless otherwise noted. All Kindergarten programs are 1 1/2 hours.
- Programs will run rain or shine.
- Program fee is \$3.00 per student (10 student minimum.)
- (If you are combining Wildlife Wonders with either Swamp Stomp or Discover Wetlands, the fee is still \$3.00/student for both programs.)
- \$30.00 minimum charge for outreach partnerships (small at-risk or special needs groups up to 10 students) (5 student minimum for outreach partnerships only.)
- Limit of 10 adults (including teachers) for groups of 30 students or less and limit of 20 adults (including teachers) for groups over 30 students. An additional fee of \$3.00/adult will be charged after adult limit is reached.
- No younger siblings please!
- Dates fill quickly on a first come, first serve basis. Please book your field trip early!

For more information, or to schedule a program, please call 920-720-9349

Heckrodt Wetland Reserve is open all year and offers school programs Sept. through May.

OR...Let us come visit you! We also do classroom naturalist programs December through March.



Your field trip experience....

Our naturalist educators offer child-friendly and hands-on activities for school students. Designed with age-appropriate experiences, these programs can be adapted to suit your curricular needs. Just let us know!

You will receive a written confirmation, as well as an enrichment packet full of pre- and post-activity ideas to enhance your field experience.

Heckrodt's Mission...

is to enhance, restore, and preserve the Reserve and educate all people in the importance of conserving our natural resources while promoting the Reserve's many recreational opportunities.



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Program Options

Wildlife Wonders

Grades 4K-8

These programs offer a glimpse into the life of the animals that may live in a wetland. Hands-on activities engage students in all programs in the Wildlife Wonders Series. For older students, scientific discovery will help them learn and understand the special relationships between humans and wildlife.

Choose one of the following animal options: honeybees, pelican, bald eagle, owl, beaver, deer, bear, bats, raccoon, fox, groundhog, fish, backyard birds, frogs, butterflies.

**for K-3 we suggest you combine one of our Wildlife Wonders programs with Swamp Stomp or Discover Wetlands.

\$3.00/student



Discover Wetlands!

Grades 2-3



Introduce students to the importance, values, and functions of wetlands. Students learn about this valuable habitat through hands-on learning.

**This program must be coupled with a Wildlife Wonders program.

\$3.00/student



Swamp Stomp

Grade 4K-1



Experience the wetland in a unique way! This sensory walk engages students with interactive activities along the boardwalk trail to find out why wetlands are important for wildlife and humans.

**this program must be coupled with a Wildlife Wonders program.

\$3.00/student

Wading into Wetlands

Grades 4-8

A 2-hour exploration of the reserve with an emphasis on plant adaptations, water quality, wetland function, water conservation, and human impacts.

\$3.00/student



Where the Wild Things Live

Grades 4-8



Through hands-on learning, students will learn about meadow, forest, and aquatic habitats that are found at the Reserve. Interactive activities and exploration of each habitat will allow students to find out about the plants and animals that live in each habitat and why each habitat is important.

\$3.00/student

Tremendous Trees

Grades 4K-4

Through engaging, interactive stations, students will learn parts of a tree, leaf identification and leaf shapes, and everyday things that are made from trees. Students will take a hike through the Reserve to explore and identify some of our native tree species. We will also play a game to find out how hard it is for a tree to grow.

\$3.00/student



Water World

Grades 3-8



A full day experience allowing students to learn about wetland values and functions, the water cycle, water conservation and human impacts, examine pond life, fish adaptations, and fishing techniques through hands-on stations. The program is also available as a half-day session, but limited to 3 stations of your choice. Fishing is not available for the half-day session.

\$6.00/student—4 hour session
(limited availability)

\$3.00/student—2 hour session

2 hour session station options:

(Choose only 3 stations)

- Journey to the Bottom of the Pail
- Life Downhill & Broken Water
- Wetland Walk
- Water's Going Around
- What's In A Fish?

The World Beneath Your Feet

Grades 4K-3

Ever wonder what types of critters lurk beneath your feet in the soil? Through exploration and hands-on activities, find out what ingredients make up the soil recipe, as well as some of the squirmy, slimy and wiggly critters that make their home in the soil. Also, learn about some mammals that make dens or burrows in the soil!

\$3.00/student



About Your Field Trip...

Appropriate dress for your program...

- Long pants are recommended, as well as sturdy footwear. No sandals please.
- We will be prepared to do the program in inclement weather. Please dress appropriately for the weather. (Rain gear, winter coats, mittens, hats, etc.) No umbrellas please. (We will plan to be indoors as much as possible if weather becomes hazardous.)

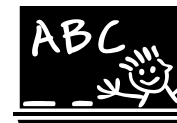
Guidelines to share with your students...

- Picking and collecting is prohibited. This includes plants, animals, insects, turtles, frogs, snakes, etc.

- Have fun and learn something too!

Picnic and restroom facilities

- Please make arrangements to reserve the use of our picnic pavilion at the time of program scheduling.
- We are a "Leave No Trace" facility. Please plan to carry out your picnic trash.
- Restrooms are available in the Nature Center.



State Academic Standards

All of these fun, hands-on, educational programs are now assessed according to Next Generation Science Standards!