

# Summer Group Activities

Come join us this summer for a program or trail adventure during June, July, or August. We offer a variety of programs and trail experiences for all ages.

## *Insect Investigators*



Become an entomologist and use an insect net to capture some six- and eight-legged wildlife along the trails. All summer the prairie is abuzz with an exciting diversity of insect life. Learn about Iowa's insects, where they live, what their life cycles are like, and the niche they fill in the web of life. *1 ½ hours.*

## *Pond Fun*



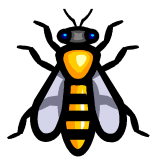
Explore the Nature Center's ponds to discover frogs, aquatic insects, fish, reptiles, and mammals that call the wetland area home. Use dip nets to capture aquatic life and learn about special adaptations for life in the watery world. *1 ½ hours.*

## *Forest Friends*



Hike our forest trails with a naturalist to discover birds, flowers, insects, and Iowa wildlife that live in this shady habitat. Investigate life under a forest log with a magnifying glass. Learn about the layers of life in a woodland. *1 ½ hours.*

## *Bee Business*



There is nothing busier than a summer beehive. Join our naturalist for a visit to the Nature Center's observation beehive to learn about life in the hive and the work of the beekeeper. Search for the queen bee, discover the jobs of the worker bee, try on the beekeeper's clothing, and explore the inside of a hive. Visit the apiary and try a taste of our delicious prairie honey. Take a short hike on the trails near the center to discover honeybees and other pollinators at work. *1 hour ¼ hours.*

**COST: \$3.00 per child**

No charge for adult chaperones.

Fee includes free admission to all exhibits in the barn.

## **Scheduling Your Field Trip**

Call (319) 362-0664 to schedule.

Schedule your field trip early, as our calendar fills quickly.

You will receive a confirmation, map, and driving directions. Office hours are Monday-Friday, 9 AM-4 PM & Saturday, 11 AM-4 PM.

## **Dress for Activity**

Dress for the season. Wear old clothes that can get dirty, sturdy shoes and long pants. Boots and rain gear for wet days are a must.

## **Lunch**

Please inform us if you plan to lunch or snack at the Nature Center. Picnic tables are available. Please bring a bag to carry out your trash. Please encourage your group to bring a "no waste" lunch/snack.

## **Special Needs**

Please call in advance to notify us if you have a student who requires special assistance. We can provide accommodations with advance notice.

## **Medical Emergencies**

The ICNC staff is Red Cross First Aid/ CPR certified. Teachers/leaders are responsible for any medication or bee sting kits students may require.

## **Weather Accommodations**

Most programs take place outdoors. If severe weather threatens, the ICNC staff is prepared with alternative indoor activities for your program topic. Only in cases of extreme weather will ICNC cancel a scheduled program.

## **Deposits and Cancellations**

Please give us one week's notice if you must cancel. You will be billed for a minimum program fee if you fail to follow this guideline.

## **Restrooms**

Use the side door by the silo to enter the building to use restrooms. Any staff can open the door for you.

## **Gift Shop**

Children visiting the Gift Shop should be supervised.

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## **Group Program Brochure**

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