In 2022, we’re offering a totally different line-up of summer programs. Sorted into three categories—Nature, Institute and History—these programs provide high-quality education in exciting ways across Lake County. Activities include hands-on components geared to developmentally appropriate ages. Programs are taught by experienced educators. Prices are per date range unless otherwise indicated and are listed as resident (R) and non-resident (NR).

**NATURE**

**BOOTS OF A BIOLOGIST**

**Ages 10–12.** Hike in the boots of a biologist to learn about Lake County plants and animals through community science activities and hands-on investigations. $95 R/$133 NR

- June 21–23
  - Ryerson Woods
  - 9 am–12 pm

**FISHING 1**

**Ages 9–11.** Explore the watery world fish inhabit and learn the basic skills, techniques and bait to catch them. Each day includes 1.5 hours of fishing. Equipment provided. $189 R/$265 NR

- June 27–July 1
  - Independence Grove
  - 9 am–12 pm
- July 18–22
  - Independence Grove
  - 9 am–12 pm
- August 1–5
  - Independence Grove
  - 9 am–12 pm

**FISHING 2**

**Ages 12–14.** Learn about fish behavior, lures, bait selection and fishing techniques. Each day includes 1.5 hours of fishing. One day of guided boat fishing included. Equipment provided.

- July 11–13 (3-day): $125 R/$175 NR
- July 25–29; August 8–12 (5-day): $199 R/$279 NR

- July 11–13
  - Independence Grove
  - 9 am–12 pm
- July 25–29
  - Independence Grove
  - 9 am–12 pm
- August 8–12
  - Independence Grove
  - 9 am–12 pm

**FORT SHERidan EXPEDITIONS**

**Ages 9–12.** Explore Fort Sheridan in Lake Forest, a fascinating place full of natural and cultural history. $14 R/$19 NR (each); $52 R/$73 NR (all)

- July 21
  - Along the Lakeshore
  - 10 am–12 pm
- July 28
  - Ravine Revelations
  - 10 am–12 pm
- August 4
  - Red-tailed Hawk Squawk
  - 10 am–12 pm
- August 11
  - Biking Through History
  - 10 am–12 pm

**INVESTIGATE INVERTEBRATES**

**Ages 6–12 with an adult.** Discover the world of invertebrates found on land and in water. $8 R/$11 NR (each); $12 R/$17 NR (all)

- July 11
  - Grant Woods
  - 3–4 pm
- July 13
  - Pine Dunes
  - 3–4 pm

**KAYAKING IN NATURE**

**Ages 13–15.** Paddlers develop solo paddling skills and experience nature through on-water science activities. $229 R/$321 NR

- June 28–30
  - Independence Grove
  - 9 am–3 pm

**LETS EXPLORE PLANTS AND ANIMALS**

**Ages 6–7.** Explore habitats using your senses and tools from our Let’s Go Outside nature kits. Discover awesome organisms in natural areas.

- July 18–22 (5-day): $159 R/$223 NR
- August 2–4 (3-day): $95 R/$133 NR

- July 18–22
  - Greenbelt Cultural Center
  - 9 am–12 pm
- August 2–4
  - Greenbelt Cultural Center
  - 9 am–12 pm
NATURE AT NIGHT
Ages 6-12 with an adult. See the preserves after dark and experience nature at night. $10 R/$14 NR (each); $16 R/$22 NR (all)
July 5, 7 Hastings Lake 8-9:30 pm

NATURE CURIOSITY
Ages 4-5 with an adult. Allow your little one time to enjoy the wonders of nature. Watch them use their imagination to learn, build and create in nature. $65 R/$91 NR
July 26-28 Independence Grove 9:30-11:30 am

WANDER AND WONDER
Ages 6-12. Wander through a preserve and wonder about smells, sounds and textures. Use your imagination to create your own habitat. $14 R/$19 NR (each); $52 R/$73 NR (all)
June 21, 23 Buffalo Creek 9:30-11:30 am
June 28 Grant Woods 9:30-11:30 am
June 30 Greenbelt 9:30-11:30 am

WETLAND EXPLORERS
Ages 8-9. Discover the importance of water. We’ll trek through wetlands examining plants, animals and soil that showcase Lake County’s variety of life. June 21-23 (3-day): $95 R/$133 NR July 11-15 (5-day): $159 R/$223 NR
June 28-30 Hastings Lake 9 am-12 pm
July 11-15 Half Day 9 am-12 pm

WILDLIFE IN MOTION
Ages 4-6 with an adult. From hopping to flying, investigate the ways animals move. $12 R/$17 NR (each); $44 R/$62 NR (all)
August 2, 4, 11 Ryerson Woods 10 am-12 pm
August 9 Wright Woods 10 am-12 pm

INSTITUTE

CONSERVATION EXPLORERS
Ages 15-16. Explore and study local ecosystems in this dynamic, two-week outdoor program, culminating with an overnight camp-out. Learn the importance of conservation through data collection in the field. $400 R/$560 NR (all)
July 11-15, 18-21 Independence Grove 9 am-3 pm +July 22-23 Van Patten Woods 3 pm-10 am

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
Partial scholarships are available for those experiencing financial hardship. For details on the confidential application process, visit LCFPD.org or call 847-968-3321.

Registration opens February 1, 2022 at LCFPD.org/summer and 847-968-3321.