

Pondering Plants Camp

9 am-12 pm

Independence Grove Forest Preserve | June 10-14; June 24-28, 2019

Lakewood Forest Preserve | July 15-19, 2019

Ryerson Conservation Area | July 29-August 2, 2019

Through interactive activities and crafts, your child will discover what is amazing about the plant world and the connections we have with it, and why it's important for us to take care of plants.



Camp checklist

- 16 oz. water or larger
- Backpack
- Light snack
- Hat
- Insect repellent
- Sunscreen



Monday: Plants grow through life cycles just like you

Discover the life cycle of a plant and the important roles flowers and pollinators have in making seeds.



Tuesday: Forests provide much for many

Explore the forest to take a detailed look at its largest plants, trees, and all the wonderful things trees provide. **Lightweight, long pants, long-sleeved shirts, and closed-toed shoes, such as sneakers, are recommended.**



Wednesday: Prairies support many lives, big and small

Secrets of the prairie will be revealed as we immerse ourselves within it and use tools such as insect nets and hand lenses. **Lightweight, long pants and closed-toed shoes are recommended as we will be walking through tall grass today.**



Thursday: Aquatic plants provide food, shelter, and clean water

Get wet and muddy as we learn about the benefits aquatic plants provide everyone who lives in and around waterways. **Wear clothes and shoes that can get wet and muddy. Bring a towel (for the car seat) or a change of dry clothes.**



Friday: Native plants need your support to thrive

Identify a few "invader" plants that out-compete plants in your community for resources. Then become stewards by removing those "invaders," which will help native plants thrive. **Lightweight, long pants, long-sleeved shirts, and closed-toed shoes, such as sneakers, are recommended.**



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Cancellations or changes of this camp due to weather will be sent to the email(s) listed on the camp health form. If you have questions or concerns, please contact camp director Alyssa Firkus at **847-276-5385** or **afirkus@LCFPD.org**.

