Wetland Explorers

Date: June 28 – June 30, 2022
Time: 9 am-12 pm
Location: Hasting Lake Forest Preserves, meet at Shelter A

What to wear: Sturdy closed toe shoes that can get wet and muddy. Clothing that is appropriate for the weather, movement, and exploration; optional- hat and sunglasses.

What to bring: Snack, water bottle, optional- sunscreen, insect repellant

Itinerary

Tuesday, June 28
Discover what a wetland is and the features that help plants and animals survive. Participants will meet some of the creatures that call wetlands home and investigate soil types.

Wednesday, June 29
Explore the creatures below the water’s surface. Using pond nets and microscopes, participants will be immersed in the world of macroinvertebrates and learn how to identify them using scientific tools.

Thursday, June 30
Many animals begin their lives in the water before they take to land or air. Participants will search for insects while learning about their unique lifecycles. They will walk away understanding the importance of wetland habitats for plants, animals and people.

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Please email AskAnEducator@LCFPD.org for general questions.

*Please complete and return all forms prior to the start of the program

*Please note that some activities may be substituted or modified due to time constraints, site resources, participant interests, or inclement weather. Cancellations of this program will be sent to the email(s) listed on the form