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ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION

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NEW HEALTH & SAFETY INFORMATION IN RESPONSE TO COVID-19

- Please do not attend if you are not healthy or have been exposed to someone with COVID-19
- Please sanitize your hands as you enter the Y and as you exit.
- Please bring your own water bottle. Bottle fillers available but drinking fountain spouts are not.
- Physical distancing will be practiced at the Y.
- Staff volunteers, participants over the age of 5 and spectators will wear masks for programs.
- Spectators may view programs but must physically distance from other spectators. The Y will provide guidance with chair placement or marks on bleachers for indoor venues.
- Parents will not allowed to enter program spaces and will drop off and pick up child at the door of the program space.
- Equipment and touchpoints will be cleaned and disinfected throughout the day. When children use supplies and equipment, they will be placed in a used bin to be disinfected before return for use.
- Programs have been staggered schedules to limit crowds and crossover of participants and spectators
- Additional safety protocols will be provided with registration in program.

FALL I SESSION: SEPTEMBER 8, 2020 – OCTOBER 25, 2020, UNLESS STATED IN DESCRIPTION.

MONDAY CLASSES ARE PRORATED FOR MONDAY, LABOR DAY SEPTEMBER 7, 2020

YOUNG EXPLORERS (AGES 2 ½ -4) (ACY)

We will use our senses to discover and investigate the wonderful sounds, colors, shapes, smells and textures of the natural world. We will incorporate outdoor exploration time, storybooks, songs, games and crafts. Each week will focus on a different topic in nature. A portion of each class will be held outdoors, weather permitting, so dress accordingly!

ANIMALS IN THE FALL- SEP 14-OCT 19 (AGES 3-5 YEARS) (ACY)

Discover how animals get ready for winter through hibernation, migration and food collection. We will learn about black bears, ducks and geese, squirrels and more through stories, games, and simple crafts. Class will go outside when the weather allows, so please have children dressed for the weather. Class held

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on Mondays from Sep 14-Oct 19.

CREEPY CRITTERS- OCT 26-DEC 14 (AGES 3-5 YEARS) (ACY)

We will learn about nocturnal creatures such as raccoons, skunks, owls, bats, spiders and more through stories, games, and hand-on learning. Find out why it can be exciting instead of creepy to hear strange sounds outdoors at nighttime. Class will go outside when weather allows, so please have children dressed for the weather.

OUTRAGEOUS OUTDOORS (AGES 3-5 YEARS) (ACY)

This exciting class gives your child a chance to learn all about the beauty and wonder of the natural world through hands-on activities, games, stories and crafts related to the nature theme of the week, as well as time outdoors exploring nature. Have your child dressed for the weather as a portion of this class will be held outdoors, weather permitting.

ARCHERY 101- SEP 14-OCT 19 (AGES 8-14) (ACY)

Learn the basics of archery in this class including the '11 steps to becoming a successful archer'. Class follows the National Archery in Schools Program (NASP) guidelines. All equipment is provided. Class will be held outdoors and is only available during session 1.

Class name	YMC A	Age	Day	Start	End	Y Member	General Public
Young Explorers	ACY	2-4 years	TH	12:30 PM	2:00 PM	\$44	\$65
Animals in the Fall- Sep 14- Oct 19	ACY	3-5 years	M	9:30 AM	11:00 AM	\$38	\$56
Creepy Critters- Oct 26-Dec 14	ACY	3-5 years	M	9:30 AM	11:00 AM	\$44	\$65
Outrageous Outdoors	ACY	3-5 years	W	10:00 AM	11:30 AM	\$44	\$65
Archery 101- Sep 14-Oct 19	ACY	8-14 years	M	4:30 PM	5:15 PM	\$20	\$32

SCHOOL PROGRAMMING

The Apple Creek YMCA and Bruce B. Purdy Nature Preserve are now accepting field trip registrations for the 2020-21 school year for grades K-12. Local schools may book trips on a number of different topics related to plants, animals, forestry, pond study and much more. Programs will be tailored to each school's curriculum needs and will be led by YMCA naturalists. Call 702.2305 or email the Environmental Education Director at svondracek@ymcafoxcities.org for a complete list of programming options as many options and the way they will be presented have changed.

LEADERS FOR GIRL, BOY AND CUB SCOUTS OR OTHER YOUTH GROUPS

Scouts of all ages may schedule time with the Naturalist to fulfill requirements for outdoor related try-its, achievements or badges they are working on. Cost for a 1-2 hour session is \$3/child with a minimum of 10 youth attending. There is no fee for leaders and adult chaperones to attend. Programs can be held at your normal meeting location or at the Apple Creek YMCA.

BECOME A NATURE PRESERVE VOLUNTEER

Volunteers are needed for many outdoor related tasks such as mowing, tree trimming, trail maintenance and more. Call 702.2305 for more details on how you can help shape the Bruce B. Purdy Nature Preserve.

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