2025 SUMMER DAY CAMPS

Pond Camp

Date: June 9th  (1st – 3rd grade) & 11th (4th – 6th grade)

We will hike around East Lake Park to discover the plants, organisims, wildlife, and fish that call it home. Activities include water sampling, fish identification, pond safety, casting, and of course, fishing! Bring a light colored t-shirt for painting during our craft time.

Pollinator Blitz

Date: June 16th (1st – 3rd grade) & 17th (4th – 6th grade)

We will learn about who the pollinators are and will focus on the honeybee and monarch. We will learn the different roles of the honeybee and go on a monarch migration journey. We’ll get our hands dirty as we make seed bombs and venture out into the prairies to get a bug’s eye view of what life is like among the grasses and wildflowers.

Survivor Camp

Date: June 23rd (1st – 3rd grade) & 25th (4th – 6th grade)

We will learn about wildnerness survival, how to build a shelter and a campfire, and how to read a map, and use a compass. We will hike around the park to identify the different plants, animals, and insects.

Mammal Mania

Date: July 7th (1st – 3rd grade) & 9th (4th – 6th grade)

We will learn all about mammals in Iowa, including their habitat, what they eat and how they survive. We’ll study animal hides, tracks and even scat! We will follow the trails and identify the different animals living in the park.

Birding Bonanza

Date: July 21st (1st – 3rd grade) & 23rd (4th – 6th grade)

We will learn how to identify different species of birds living in the park, match feathers to birds, compare wingspan, study nests and the materials birds use to make them, dissect owl pellets, and we will make a bird feeder!

Trees & Seeds

Date: July 28th (1st – 3rd grade) & 30th (4th – 6th grade)

We will learn how to identify different trees in the park, study who lives in the trees (insects and animals), take a look at seeds and how they’re dispersed, identify leaves, and talk about what food we get from trees, We’ll dig a hole and learn how to plant and care for a tree.