

Important Guidelines ... Complete information is included with registration materials

Registration is available online at www.preservationparks.com/programs/camps, with credit cards and electronic checks accepted. Registration will be accepted on a "first-come-first-served" basis, and fees are due at the time of registration. We are unable to accept phone or e-mail registration. If you have trouble with the on-line system, or need more information, contact the education department; call 740-524-8600, ext. 3, or email: miccum@preservationparks.com.

Cancellation Policy: Refunds will be granted upon cancellation notice as follows:

Prior to registration deadline: 50% refund

After registration deadline: No refund

A full refund will be granted for a medical emergency and if a signed note from the doctor is provided.

Age requirements: Camps are listed by age, and are based on the camper's age on the dates camp is in session. Age-appropriate activities are planned for each session.

Food and Drinks: Make sure your child has a lunch Monday through Friday (unless otherwise notified). An afternoon snack will be provided. Your child will be given a water bottle to use throughout the week. Please make sure your child brings the water bottle EVERY DAY. Water will be available at all times.

What else should campers bring? Your child should dress appropriately for the weather. On Monday, campers need to bring an extra set of clothes (shorts, shirt, shoes, socks, etc.) as well as a bathing suit and rain wear, to keep at camp for the week. Open-toed shoes and sandals are NOT acceptable. Hats, sunglasses, sunscreen, and insect repellent are also recommended.

Camp staff are trained and have experience working with children of all ages. Preservation Parks volunteers might also work with the camp staff. All staff members and volunteers have undergone a background check and have been trained in CPR and first aid.

Transportation: When trips are provided, campers will be transported to sites outside of Deer Haven Preserve and Gallant Farm in vans, driven by Preservation Parks staff members. Transportation permission forms are included in the registration information.

Discipline: Our staff strives to make each session a fun, educational and safe experience for all campers. Please see the registration materials for more information on expected camper behavior.

Preservation Parks of Delaware County

The mission of Preservation Parks is "To protect and conserve the natural and historic features of Delaware County and to inspire outdoor education and learning."



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Hours: 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Monday-Friday



Summer Explorers Camps 2015

Nature and Farm Camps



We love nature and want to share that love with everyone who visits the parks — and that includes our summer campers! Whether they choose to immerse themselves in nature or in the day-to-day workings of a 1930s family farm, campers will leave with an appreciation for the wildlife and plants with which we share a home — our precious planet earth.

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NATURE CAMPS

Time and Location information: All nature camps run from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Monday – Friday. Campers meet at Deer Haven Preserve, 4183 Liberty Road, and may be transported by van to other locations on some camp days. Sessions are limited to 12 participants. See the back page of this brochure for more information.

Animal Buddies — age 8

Animal Buddies will discover an array of critters from near and far! Campers will learn about the special characteristics of each wildlife group. Touch a live snake, meet a bird, go fishing, search for frogs, and much more during this exciting introduction to the animal kingdom!

Dates: Session I: June 15 – 19 [Registration deadline: June 1]
Session II: June 22 – 26 [Registration deadline: June 8]

Fee: \$125 per session

Habitat Explorers — age 9

Habitat Explorers will experience all the different places that plants and animals call home. Search high and low in a wetland, prairie, and forest to learn what defines each habitat. Campers will play games, participate in crafts, see live animals and take some special trips.

Dates: Session I: July 6 – 10 [Registration deadline: June 22]
Session II: July 13 – 17 [Registration deadline: June 29]

Fee: \$125 per session

Outdoor Adventurers — age 10

Outdoor Adventurers will get active and get outside! Campers will go fishing, hike trails, learn survival skills, paddle a canoe, throw a boomerang, climb a rock wall, and even go horseback riding. We will travel to several different sites throughout central Ohio.

Dates: Session I: July 27 – 31 [Registration deadline: July 13]
Session II: August 3 – 7 [Registration deadline: July 20]

Fee: \$140 per session

Natural Resources Youth Academy — ages 14 – 16

Are you interested in pursuing a career in natural resources? Join staff for a first-hand look at the day-to-day operations in the life of a park employee. Discover nature education, habitat management and law enforcement through interactive projects, wildlife encounters and field trips.

Dates: June 1 – 5 [Registration deadline: May 18]

Fee: \$150



FARM CAMPS

Time and Location information: All farm camps run from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Monday – Friday. Campers meet at Gallant Farm Preserve, 2150 Buttermilk Hill Road, and may be transported by van to other locations on some camp days (Farm Explorers, Farm Hands, and History Explorers only). Sessions are limited to 12 participants, except for the Performing Arts camp. See the back page of this brochure for additional information.

Farm Buddies — ages 7-8

While learning about daily life on the farm by engaging in chores, both inside and out, campers will gain a sense of history while having fun. Close ties to nature were always part of agricultural life, and hikes and animal interactions will also take place.

Dates: July 6 – 10 [Registration deadline: June 22]

Fee: \$125

Farm Explorers — ages 9 – 10

Campers will enjoy hands-on experience learning about the role children played in the upkeep of a family farm during the 1930's and 40's. They will learn the importance of "making do" on a Depression-era farmstead and will explore various ways to "get-by" while engaging in games and challenges.

Dates: June 29 – July 3 [Registration deadline: June 15]

Fee: \$125

Farm Hands — ages 11 – 12

With a focus on how farmers contribute to our food supply both locally and globally, campers will compare current farming practices to those of the past. Field trips to local working farms will enhance the experience. By working in the gardens, fields and barnyard, campers will gain a feel for daily farm life.

Dates: July 20 – 24 [Registration deadline: July 6]

Fee: \$125

History Explorers — ages 10 – 11

Campers will learn about the 1930s and 1940s as well as other eras. Using vintage tools and artifacts to explore daily farm life, they will help with chores, cook on the wood stove, and enjoy traditional crafts. We'll visit local historic properties, and hear anecdotes about Delaware County's past.

Dates: June 8 – 12 [Registration deadline: May 25]

Fee: \$125

Performing Arts Camp at the Farm — ages 6 – 14

Learn about life on the farm while honing your acting skills. Candace Mazur, of Dramatic Impact — a nationally acclaimed director of children's theater productions — will lead the week's activities. Campers will perform roles and create props for a production of "Charlotte's Web," and the camp will end with a performance the final day. **20 participants.**

Dates: July 27 – 31 [Registration deadline: July 13]

Fee: \$180