



2023 Summer Camps Catalog



Registration Begins January 17, 2023!
Camps fill fast!
Be sure to reserve your child's spot today!



How to Register:

1. Choose a camp based on the age of your child or the grade that your child will be entering in the 2023-2024 school year.
2. Fill out and return the required registration forms and payment. Forms are attached to the back of this booklet. See address on form or email the forms to kadams@kendallcountyl.gov.
3. **Your child's spot will not be reserved until all forms AND payment are received.**
4. If you have questions about a nature camp contact Kimberly at 630-553-2292 or email kadams@kendallcountyl.gov If you have questions about an equestrian camp contact Kris at 815-475-4035 or email kmondrella@kendallcountyl.gov
Registration begins January 17, 2023.

Nature Camps are held at Hoover Forest Preserve
11285 W Fox Rd Yorkville, IL 60560

Mon., Wed., Fri. Summer Camps - \$45
Half Day Summer Camps - \$145
Full Day Summer Camps - \$200
1 Day Creek Camp, Friday - \$40
Nature Quest Summer Camp - \$220

Equestrian Camps are held at
Ellis House and Equestrian Center
13986 McKanna Road Minooka, IL 60447
Prices vary, see page #9 for more information.

Cancellation Policies:

A \$20 nonrefundable registration fee is included in each camp session fee.

We are unable to give refunds for cancellations with less than two weeks notice from the first day of camp.



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Summer Camps 2023

Ages 1-3

These three-day (Mon., Wed., Fri.) camps provide a first nature camp experience for the very young. Class time will include a story, song, discovery time, and nature exploration.

A caregiver must stay for the class.

Time: 9-10:30 am

Price: \$45



Colors of Nature

Colors are the smiles of Nature.

In this camp your child will engage the sense of sight to explore all hues around! Each day will be filled with fun activities and hikes that will allow your child to explore different shades of nature at Hoover Forest Preserve. We will play hide and seek in the prairie and test how it feels to camouflage. We will go on a forest safari to hunt for color and (plushy) animal friends. We will splash with water, creating our own rainbows and use natural pigments to paint.

Dates: June 19, 21, 23 **(This Camp is Full)**

Sounds of Nature

The earth has music for those who listen.

In this camp your child will engage the sense of hearing to explore all tones around! Each day will be filled with fun activities and hikes that will allow your child to explore different sounds of nature in our forest preserve. We will follow and learn bird calls in the woods, explore babbling brooks and frog choruses, tune into the rustle of quaking grasses in the prairie wind.

Dates: July 10, 12, 14

Feels of Nature

To touch the earth is to have harmony with nature.

In this camp your child will engage the sense of touch to explore all surfaces around! Each day will be filled with fun activities and hikes that will allow your child to explore different textures of nature in our forest preserve. We will reach into mystery boxes filled with feathers, furs, and flowers and explore the creek and its creatures to get a feel for life underwater. We will also dig in the mud, soil and garden, and feel our way through natural cycles.

Dates: July 24, 26, 28 **(This Camp is Full)**

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Ages 4–Entering Kindergarten

This is not... *Half Day*

This is not a stick, it's a bridge to a new world.

It's not a box, it's a den for a fox.

It's not a rock, it's a building block.

Natural objects can be so many things when we let our unfiltered imaginations run wild.

In this nature-based STEAM camp we will tinker with the concepts of engineering while manipulating open ended materials collected throughout our daily hikes at our Forest Preserve.

Session I: June 12 - 16 *(This Camp is Full)*

Session II: July 17-21 *(This Camp is Full)*

9-12 pm

Price: \$145

Anywhere Artist *Half Day*

The beauty of nature is everywhere.

Discover and collect with us on our daily hikes the sensory rich art materials provided by nature. Creative processes will include resources such as prairie plant pigments, sticky sap from forest trees, and malleable creek mud. Create masterpieces inspired by native wildlife encounters and views of bluffs, valleys and sky. Pretend with our costumes and other props; to be a native animal such as a striped skunk, bald eagle, and a hungry caterpillar as you dabble in the Performing Arts.

Session I: June 19 – 23

Session II: July 24 - 28 *(This Camp is Full)*

9-12 pm

Price: \$145



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Entering Grades 1-3

Animal Superheroes *Full Day*

In this fun camp, we will study the secret and not so secret powers of the animals that live here in Illinois. We will investigate their tricks for hiding from predators, finding food, protecting their babies, and we will learn about the awesome physical adaptations various animals have to help them leap, fly, and swim.

Session I: June 12-16 *(This Camp is Full)*

Session II: July 17-21 *(This Camp is Full)*

9-2:30 pm

Price: \$200

Wild Things *Full Day*

You don't need to go on an overseas safari to see wildlife—there are tons of wildlife species to see here at Hoover Forest Preserve. During this camp, we will take the time to look closely for life under logs, in the trees, under stones, in the prairie grasses, even in the mud. Using tools like nets, buckets, binoculars, and shovels, we'll search high & low, on land and in the water for these Wild Things!

Session I: June 26 – 30 *(This Camp is Full)*

Session II: July 31- August 4 *(This Camp is Full)*

9-2:30 pm

Price: \$200



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Entering Grades 4-6

Nature's Laboratory *Full Day*

Explore nature through the eyes of a scientist!

We will conduct exciting and interesting experiments all week long using different habitats in the forest preserve as our laboratory.

Session I: June 19 – 23

Session II: July 24 – 28

9-2:30 pm

Price: \$200

Teeth, Talons, & Tales *Full Day*

Predators need razor sharp talons, pointy teeth, body coordination and agility.

Prey need keen awareness of their surroundings, fast escape speed and camouflaged body covering. We will discover the differences between the life of predators as they hunt for food and prey as they try to thrive and survive in the wild.

Session I: June 26 – 30

Session II: July 31 – August 4

9-2:30 pm

Price: \$200



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Entering Grades 2-6 **Crazy for Creek Creatures**

1 day Creek Camp; Friday Only

Come out to catch crayfish, tadpoles, frogs, fish, water insects, and more! This one day camp offers a full day of fun — morning and afternoon creek explorations.

This camp is great for busy families, who would like a one day experience for their child; filled with excitement and hands on fun.

Friday, July 7th

9 am—2:30 pm

Price: \$40

(This Camp is Full)



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Entering Grades 7-9

Nature Quest 4 day camp ; 10am drop off & 7 pm pick-up on Thursday

We are offering a jam-packed schedule of fun including an environmental stewardship project, large scale through the forest preserve scavenger hunt, canoe trip on the Fox River, travel to a different forest preserve to explore, Thursday night campfire cookout, and many other awesome outdoor adventures.

9 am - 2:30 pm Monday — Wednesday

*** 10 am– 7 pm Thursday (No camp on Friday)**

Dates: July 10 – July 13 (*This Camp is Full*)

Price: \$ 220 (travel included)

*** different times on Thursday**



Ages 14-16 / Grades 8-10

Counselor in Training Program (CIT)

Do you love being outside and working with children? Join us this summer and become a Summer Camp assistant! CIT's assist with camps for kindergarten– 3rd grade campers. This program will help teens develop leadership skills and build a solid foundation for future employment.

Application deadline: May 8, 2023

Price: \$200

If you would like more information on the CIT program please email

kadams@kendallcountyil.gov

Equestrian Summer Camps 2023

Summer Day Camps at Ellis Equestrian Center provide children with the opportunity to learn the basics of horse care and horse behavior. All camps include fun, hands-on activities that teach safe, responsible care for horses. Children learn confidence around the horses by feeding, grooming, leading, and riding the animals on a daily basis at our camps!

In addition to getting hands on with our horses, our camps provide a daily craft and a variety of games and activities to keep your child busy and having fun while they are here at Ellis! Our summer camps at Ellis are designed to accommodate the needs of our children and are divided into three different age groups.



Day Camp Options and Pricing

PARENT AND TOT DAY CAMPS

Explore the wonderful world of horses with your tot!
This is a two hour, **one day camp** offered for our younger horse lovers and the parent!

Ages 3 to 5

Session 1: Mon. June 12th

Session 2: Mon. July 10th

Session 3: Mon. August 7th

All Parent and Tot Camps run from 9:00 am-11:00 am

PRICES:

\$60(Kendall County residents)

\$66 (Out-of-County)

THREE DAY CAMPS

Ellis Equestrian Center 3-day camps are four-hours per day. Camps will provide students with hands-on horse care, feeding, handling, and riding. Each camp also includes a daily craft and other explorations of Baker Woods Forest Preserve.

Ages 6 to 8

Session 1: June 20-22 (Tues. – Thurs.)

Session 2: July 18-20 (Tues. – Thurs.)

Ages 9 to 13

Session 1: June 27-29 (Tues. – Thurs.)

Session 2: July 25-27 (Tues.—Thurs.)

All Three Day Camps run from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm

PRICES:

\$236 (Kendall County residents)

\$247 (Out-of-County)

NEW OFFERING!

OVERNIGHT CAMP 3 DAYS and 2 NIGHTS

This exciting new camp will teach every aspect of what it is like to own a horse. It will include classroom lessons on basic horse knowledge; daily horse care, different disciplines of riding, horse crafts, movie nights & more!

Ages 8-14

Session: July 30th-August 1st (Sun-Tues.)

Overnight Camp **Times:** Sunday, 3:00 pm drop off –Tuesday, Noon pick up

PRICES:

\$450 (Kendall County resident)

\$500 (Out-of-County)



Kendall County Forest Preserve District

2023 Summer Camp Programs

Summer Camp Registration Forms *(Pages 1-3)*

Camper Information

Name of camp:

Date of camp:

Child's name:

Date of Birth:

Grade Entering in Fall 2023:

Parent/Guardian Name:

Address:

City:

State:

ZIP:

Cell Phone:

Alternate Phone:

Email Address:

Your signature below indicates that you have read and agree to the following, #1-#7 statements and that your child has your permission to attend this program:

1. I have been informed of the details of this program. My child has my permission to participate in this supervised program.

2. I understand that my child will be under the instructor's, or other authorized personnel's supervision at all times. I agree to instruct my child to obey all rules, regulations, and instructions given by instructors and/or authorized personnel. I further agree that no teacher or other authorized personnel shall be held responsible or liable for injuries or other mishaps caused by my child's deliberate disobedience of rules, regulations, or instructions.

3. I authorize the instructors or other authorized personnel, acting in my place, as parent, to give consent to any hospital or physician to provide my child with whatever examination, treatment, hospitalization, medical or surgical care that may be needed in the event that an injury or illness may occur to my child while attending the program.

4. All staff have been trained and certified in emergency epinephrine procedure. Staff members carry generic epinephrine pens in their backpacks in case of first-time severe allergy response resulting in signs of anaphylaxis. Please indicate below if you want your child to receive epinephrine from forest preserve staff should they present signs of anaphylaxis.

Yes, I authorize forest preserve staff to administer epinephrine should my child present signs of anaphylaxis.

5. I consent to the KCFPD's use of photographs and recordings for educational, promotional or publicity purposes and agree that these photographs and recordings may be displayed during presentations or published in mass media publications, newspapers, social media promotions, or websites.

6. I authorize the instructors to take my camper on hikes and (if applicable for your child's camp) special excursions off site. I also authorize the camper to ride as a passenger in a vehicle owned or leased by the above-mentioned organization.

7. **Cancellation Policy:** A \$20 non-refundable registration fee is included in this program fee. We are unable to give refunds for cancellations **with less than two weeks notice** prior to the first day of the program

Signature:

Date:

Summer Camp Payment Information & Mailing Instructions

Child's
Name:

Name of Summer Camp:

Date of Camp:

Camp Fee:

Payment Option (check one):

☐ Cash (In person drop-off only)

☐ Check (Make payable to The Kendall County Forest Preserve District)

☐ Credit card (Fill out information below)

Credit Card Information (2.5% processing fee applied)

Name on Card:

Billing
Address:

City:

State:

ZIP:

Card Type (circle one): Visa Master Card Discover Card

Card
Number:

Security Code:

Expiration Date:

I authorize Kendall County Forest Preserve District to charge my credit card the amount indicated on the dates as noted. Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please email , mail, or drop off your completed registration form, payment form, health form, & payment to Kendall County Forest Preserve District, Attn: Summer Camp, 110 W. Madison St., Yorkville, IL 60560.
kadams@kendallcountyil.gov

Once registration forms & payment are processed- You will receive a confirmation email. Summer Camp letters with details & instructions about the camp you are registered for will be sent 1 week prior to camp. If you have any other questions or need assistance, please contact the Kendall County Forest Preserve District staff: Kimberly Adams; Environmental Education Coordinator at 630-553-2292 or email kadams@kendallcountyil.gov
If you have questions regarding equestrian camps contact Kris Mondrella ; Equestrian Program Coordinator kmondrella@kendallcountyil.gov at 815-475-4035. Thank you!

Office Use Only:

Forms rec'd: _____

Date Registered: _____

Initials: _____

Confirmation Email: _____



Email, 1 Week Prior: _____

HEALTH FORM (TO BE FILLED OUT BY PARENT/GUARDIAN)

Child's Name:			
Name of Summer Camp:		Date of Camp:	

Personal Information

Height:	Weight:	Sex: M F Non-binary
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Health History: Has the camper experienced any of the following? If so, circle and indicate dates.

Frequent colds	Asthma	Rheumatic fever
Frequent sore throats	Chicken pox	Tuberculosis
Sinusitis	Measles	Epilepsy
Abscessed ears	German Measles	Heart problems
Fainting	Mumps	Kidney problems
Bronchitis	Whooping Cough	Sleep walking
Stomach upsets	Diabetes	Constipation
Hay Fever	Polio	Arthritis
Frostbite	Fractures	Operations/Serious Injuries

Other medical concerns:

Allergies: Is the camper allergic to any of the following? If so, circle and provide details.

Medication (e.g. penicillin, aspirin, sulfa, etc.)	Foods (e.g. shellfish, milk, peanuts, etc.)	Insect bites (e.g. bee stings)
Plants (e.g. poison ivy)	Environmental (e.g. mold, dust, etc.)	Other (please indicate)

Medications: Please note any medications camper is taking and special instructions for staff.

Healthcare Provider Information

Physician name:	
Office Name:	Phone Number:
Hospital Preference:	
Medical Insurance Company:	Policy Number:

Emergency Contact Information

Emergency Contact Name:	Relationship:
Primary Phone:	Alternate Phone:

Parent Agreement: The above medical information is complete and accurate to my knowledge. Also, my child is fit to participate in all camp activities except for the limitations noted in this health form.

Signature:	Date:
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