



Menu of CLASSES at the MACKENZIE ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION CENTER For DAY FIELD TRIPS

The MacKenzie Center is an excellent place to explore and learn about a wide variety of environmental and conservation topics. Either on your own as a self-guided journey or with some help from our education staff, your group will experience a field trip that is not only educational but economical. Check it out!

Please note: Class offerings below are designed to be self-guided and we will share the lesson plan. Help from a MEEC staff member is at an additional \$1 per student fee.

CREATE A CLASS

Grades: all ages

Length: flexible

Working with group leaders we can customize your visit and build a lesson that is written to fit your needs, just provide us the topic!



EDUCATORS CHOICE

Grades: all ages

Length: flexible

Let MEEC staff choose and design a program appropriate to the season and group needs.

WILDLIFE EXHIBIT TOURS

Grades: all ages

Length: 1 hour

(Wildlife exhibit only)

Subjects: Wildlife biology and ecology, Wisconsin history

By seeing some native Wisconsin animals up-close, visitors can study the animal's adaptations, habitats; learn about human interaction and more.



POND LIFE

Grades: 5-7

Length: 1.5 hours

To acquaint the students with the pond as a natural community, and introduce them to the wide varieties of life found there and explore the connections among community members. *Available in Spring, Summer & early Fall*

VISIT THE SUGAR BUSH (aka: Maple Program)

Grades: 4-8

Length: ~3 hours
(morning or afternoon program)



Learn about how Native Americans traveled to the sugar bush and how they made maple sugar. Learn to identify a maple tree & the process of photosynthesis. Get some hands on experience tapping a tree & add in some history with how the Pioneers made maple syrup. Walk away with a taste of maple syrup made from the MacKenzie Center's sugar bush.

Key Concepts: forestry, WI history

Available for visits in March only

MUSEUM TOURS

Grades: all ages

Length: flexible

Examine one or all of our three themed museums (conservation, logging, alien species and oddities of nature). Discuss some of the issues and themes found within.

SOUTH TRAILS

Grades: all ages

Length: Variable

There are five self-guiding trails on the MacKenzie Center grounds. Please take some time to hike these with your students or use them with some of your own activities.



SCAVENGER HUNT

Grades: all ages

Length: 1-1 ½ hours

Using a check-off sheet as a guide, students examine the surrounding area identifying things to see, hear, smell, feel and think about.

COMPASS SKILLS 101

Grades: 5-12

Length: 60-90 minutes

Subjects: Physical Education, Outdoor/Survival skills

Develop a basic compass knowledge and instill a sense of awareness of the environment. Enable students to meet challenges and make decisions, while navigating thru our orienteering course(s).

