



Middle School Week

Camp Wild – Environmental Stewardship in the WILD Outdoors

July 23 - 27, 2018

Monday, -- Soil Science

8:00 – Buncombe SWCD- Orientation
9:00 – Biltmore Estate
9:30 -11:00 – West Side (Greenhouses, Hydroponics, Biodiesel)
11:00 - 11:45 – Lunch at DeerPark Pavilion – Bring Your Own
11:45 – 12:45 – Waterfall/Boathouse Hike
1:00 – 3:00 – Scavenger Hunt/Team Building Games
3:15 – 4:15 – Barn Activities
5:00 – Parents pick up at Buncombe SWCD

Tuesday, –Aquatics **change of clothes, shoes & towel

8:00 – Buncombe SWCD
9:00 – Sliding Rock
12:00 – Lunch at Pink Bed Picnic Area: Bring Your Own
1:00 – Pink Beds Picnic & Explore Wetlands (mountain bog)
1:30 – 3:45 – Aquatics & Fish Hatchery
5:00 – Parents pick up at Buncombe SWCD

Wednesday, – Forestry

8:00 – Buncombe SWCD
8:40 – 11:00 Asheville Treetops Adventure Park (wear close-toed shoes - REQUIRED)
11:10 – 11:30 – SWCD – Change Clothes
12:15 – Lunch at Juke Box Junction – Bring Your Own
1:30 – 4:00 – Juke Box Junction –Ice Cream & Snorkeling (bring river clothes)
5:00 - Parents pick up at Buncombe SWCD

Thursday, – Aquatics & Wildlife

8:00 – Buncombe SWCD
10:00 – Travel to Crossnore Forestry Training Center
12:00 - Lunch provided
1:30 – Rope Course
3:00 – Corn Hole, Horse Shoe, Tubing
6:00 – Dinner provided
8:00 - Campfire & Outdoor Movie

Friday, - * Extra socks & shoes recommended

8:00 – Breakfast
9:00 – Travel to Grandfather Mountain
10:00 – Explore & GPS Scavenger Hunt
12:00 Lunch provided-
2:00 – Travel Home
4:00 - Parents pick up at Buncombe SWCD

*Camp Wild is open to current Envirothon students and remaining slots will be determined on an application process of current 6th - 12th grade students. The cost for the Camp will be \$30 per student thanks to a generous grant from the Pigeon River Fund. Areas of study include soil science; forestry; environmental issues; solid waste; recycling; aquatics; wildlife; and water quality.

This schedule may be subject to slight changes depending on interesting sights we stop to look at!

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Sponsors: Buncombe Soil & Water Conservation District & NRCS Soil Survey

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Parents and participants should be aware of the following:

- 🌐 The cost of the camp is \$30. Checks may be mailed to Buncombe County SWCD, 49 Mount Carmel Road, Suite 101, Asheville NC 28806. Students will be traveling via Buncombe County passenger bus to all the sites listed.
- 🌐 We may stop at any point in transit or close to the listed sites.
- 🌐 Students will be close to and/or in moving water including creeks, streams, rivers and waterfalls.
- 🌐 Students will be in the woods and exposed to elements of the woods including insects, poison ivy, etc.
- 🌐 Students may have the opportunity to snorkel in moving water.
- 🌐 Students will be getting dirty and wet fairly often!
- 🌐 Students may work in the rain with rain gear
- 🌐 Please be warned – we are sometimes in rugged outdoor places that are not really the best spots for **cell phones** or other electronics that may be lost or damaged – or stolen when left on the bus while we are hiking.

What to bring/wear:

- 🌐 Sunscreen
- 🌐 Cap, sunglasses
- 🌐 **WATER BOTTLE**
- 🌐 We provide water and snacks, but students are free to bring their own favorites
- 🌐 Dry socks are always a good idea and a towel & dry clothes if we're swimming
- 🌐 Jacket or parka if the weather seems cool – in the mountains it can be chilly
- 🌐 Comfortable clothes and shoes you don't mind getting dirty and wet
- 🌐 Medicine, inhaler, etc. if appropriate
- 🌐 A good attitude for learning and for fun!

Not to Worry:

- 🌐 If your child forgets lunch, we have fruit, bread, peanut butter & jam
- 🌐 Rain ponchos can be bought at the Dollar Tree to tuck into backpacks, but we have some if needed
- 🌐 We carry a first-aid kit!

Make Sure We Know:

- 🌐 If your child can't swim
- 🌐 If your child has had allergic reactions to bee stings
 - 🌐 If your child has asthma, diabetes, or other conditions we should know about