

Planning a Visit:

Programs are approximately 1.5 hours long and cost \$4 per participant unless otherwise noted. For every 10 participants, one adult is free. All additional adults and/or siblings are \$4 per person.

A \$60 per program deposit is required to hold your reservation. Payment of any remaining balance is due upon arrival on the date of the program. Deposits are non-refundable within 30 days of your scheduled visit.

To Schedule a visit, please contact our Education staff at 973-835-2160; Wednesday to Sunday, 9am to 4pm. Spring and autumn dates fill up quickly so be sure to make your reservation well in advance.

Supervision and discipline of participants is the responsibility of the adults at all times as Weis Education Staff are there for the purpose of teaching. Our programs run rain or shine, so



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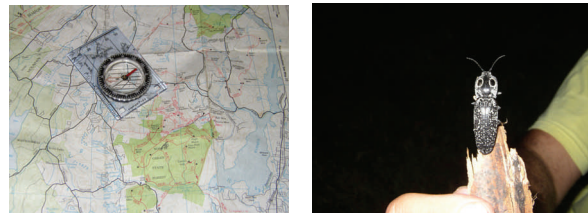
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Specially presented programs for Scout Troops, Packs & Dens

WEIS PROGRAMS OF SPECIAL INTEREST:

BIRD BASICS: Through games and activities, including nest building and bird watching, participants will discover physical adaptations and behavioral differences among various birds.

COMPASS SKILLS: Participants learn the parts of a compass and how to use it. Small teams work together using their new skills to complete our compass courses (Grade 4 & up)

FRESHWATER LIFE: Through the use of collecting equipment and identification guides, participants will observe the inhabitants of a freshwater stream and explore their life cycles and adaptations.

GROUP CHALLENGES: Groups of eight to ten participants work cooperatively to solve problems involving both physical and mental challenges.

(Grades 4 & up)

INTERESTING INSECTS: During the course of an outdoor search participants will examine the characteristics of insects and their adaptations to their environment.

INTERPRETIVE HIKES: Two to four-hour interpretive hikes are available to Blue Mine Falls, Wyanokie High Point, Chikahoki Falls, and other sites in Norvin Green State Forest. A bag lunch can be scheduled to be eaten on the trail.

ORIENTEERING: During this three hour class (\$8/ participant), participants will review the parts of a compass, learn how to read a topographical map, and then "bushwhack" from one point in Norvin Green State Forest to another. Prerequisite: Compass Skills (see above).

SENSORY ADVENTURE: Using their "animal" senses, participants will discover how animals depend on their senses for survival. (Pre-school through Grade 2) One hour program.

TALKING TREES: Learn how to identify some of the local trees of The Highlands through hands-on activities.

WILDLIFE ECOLOGY: Learn about an animal's habitat and what it needs to survive. Follow us into the forest to find out what animals live there.



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WOLF ACHIEVEMENTS

ELECTIVE #13 BIRDS: Find out all about the basics of birds. Through games, nest building, and bird watching, participants will discover physical adaptations and behavioral differences among various birds.



ELECTIVE #18 OUTDOOR ADVENTURE: Learn about the natural world around you through exploration and fun games. Also, learn how to identify poisonous plants.

ACHIEVEMENT #5 BUILDING FOR BIRDS: FEEDERS OR HOUSES*: Offered on select weekend dates in the autumn (feeder) and spring (house). Call for this season's dates. *Additional per-scout cost for materials.

BEAR ACHIEVEMENTS

ACHIEVEMENT #5 SHARING YOUR WORLD WITH WILDLIFE: Participants will find out about habitat and creatures that might live in our forests or backyards. Learn about animals and how they are protected and all about endangered species.

WEBELOS

FORESTER: Participants will learn how to identify trees and plants in the area using field guides. Find out what a tree cookie is and what it can tell you about a tree. Learn about the different layers of a forest and how animals and humans use this valuable resource.

GEOLOGIST: Participants learn how the earth is formed and what it's made of, how fossils form and what we can tell from them.

NATURALIST: Participants will study the ecology of the forest with a hands-on look at the plants, wildlife, and the decomposers of the forest floor.

GIRL SCOUTS BROWNIE TRY-ITS

ANIMALS: Find out more about wild animals and their needs by exploring different habitats and places where they live.

EARTH AND SKY: Explore a forest from the ground up and find out who lives at which level, what they do there and why.

ECO-EXPLORER: Learn how the plants and animals of the forest live together through fun hands-on activities.

OUTDOOR ADVENTURER: Take a hike! And take a closer look at the things that hide in the forest.

PLANTS: Go on a leaf hunt through the forest and explore the different types of trees that live there. Learn how to identify the different trees that live on the grounds at Weis.

SENSES: Using their "animal" senses, participants will discover how living things depend on their senses for survival.

WATCHING WILDLIFE: From insects to mammals, the tracks, signs, and adaptations of local wildlife species will be examined, along with the impacts of humans on various wildlife species in New Jersey.

WATER EVERYWHERE: Through the use of collecting equipment and identification guides, participants will observe the inhabitants of a freshwater stream and explore their life cycles and adaptations.

JUNIOR GIRL SCOUTS

EARTH CONNECTIONS: Participants will learn



how to identify trees and plants using field guides. Find out what a tree cookie is and what it can tell you about a tree. Learn about the different layers of a forest and how animals and humans use this valuable resource. (Previously known as ECOLOGY)

PLANTS AND ANIMALS: Go on a scavenger hunt to find different plants and animals that live in our forest. Look at what different animals eat and where they get their food.

YOUR OUTDOOR SURROUNDINGS: Participants will take a hike through the forest and learn who lives there and how they get around.

ROCKS ROCK: Participants explore different Forest habitats on their way to an abandoned iron mine. (2-3 hours)

HIKER: Participants will take a naturalist led hike through Norvin Green State Forest.

WILDLIFE: From insects to mammals, the tracks, signs and adaptations of local wildlife species will be examined, along with the impact of humans on the needs of various wildlife species in New Jersey.

FINDING YOUR WAY: Participants will learn the basics of a compass and how to use a compass to locate directions. Small teams will work together using this new skill to complete the compass courses we have designed.

CADETTE AND SENIOR SCOUTS

ALL ABOUT BIRDS: Through games and activities, including nest building, and bird watching, participants will discover physical adaptations and behavioral differences among various birds.

ECO-ACTION: (Skill Builders #3 & #5) Through the use of collecting equipment and identification guides, participants will observe the inhabitants of a freshwater stream and learn about their life cycles and adaptations.

WILDLIFE: Look for signs of wildlife on a short hike around the Weis Woods. Learn how animals live and survive in the habitats. Also use a field guide to identify indigenous plants and trees.

ORIENTEERING: During this 3-hour class (\$6/participant), scouts will review the parts of a compass, learn how to read a topographical map, and then "bushwhack" from one point in Norvin Green State Forest to another. Prerequisite: Compass Skills (see back). Make a day or weekend of it!

BACKPACKING: Two to four-hour interpretive hikes are available to Blue Mine Falls, Wyanokie High Point, Chikahoki Falls, and other sites in Norvin Green State Forest. Lunch can be eaten on the trail.



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