CHURCHVILLE NATURE CENTER SUMMER CAMPS 2021







ABOUT OUR CAMPS

Our camps are structured, educational, fun, learning experiences. Each week features a nature related topic, with lots of outdoor activities, crafts related to the topic and games. Our staff is comprised of one experienced educator for each age group, assisted by two or more volunteer counselors over the age of 14. The whole camp is overseen by the Camp Director, Peg Mongillo -pamongillo@buckscounty.org

Camp Hours

Half Day Camp: 10am-12pm
Full Day: 10:00 am to 3:00 pm
Afternoon: 1:00—3:00 (tadpoles only)
Please see registration page for more flexible options



Age Groups

Tadpoles: 4-5 year-old Junior Naturalists: 6-9 year-old Explorers: 8-13 year-old



New for 2021

This year we are offering an afternoon camp for Tadpoles only. This is for campers aged 4 –5 years. Young campers in this age group can come for a morning session (10-12), an afternoon session (1:00—3:00), or for the full day (10-3).



Drop Off & Pick Up

Drop off and pick up are in the nature center's exhibit hall, A parent or guardian must sign each child in and out. Please do not drop off campers any earlier than 10 minutes before the start of camp.

Note on Food

We will not be supplying daily snacks or lunches during the camp week. If your child requires a snack during the day you may send one with them. Children should bring a labeled water bottle. Lunches must also be labeled for those staying through noon.

The Churchville Nature Center is a facility of
The Bucks County Department of Parks & Recreation
Bucks County Commissioners:
Diane M. Ellis-Marseglia, Commission Chair
Bob Harvie, Commission, Vice Chair
Gene DiGirolamo, LCSW Commissioner

Tadpoles Ages 4 & 5

Jr Naturalists Ages 6-9

Week # 1: June 21st - 25th

FISHING FUN our own bait. We'll learn how to cast, tie knots and discover all the tools and doo-dads we need to put in our own tackle box to ensure a successful day of fishing. We'll learn about the fish that live in our lake and ponds then try to catch them ourselves!

Week #2: June 28th - July 2nd

REPTILES AND DINOSAURS We'll learn about different reptile and amphibian groups using the center's own collection and which ones we can find on our explorations. We'll also explore the world of dinosaurs; how they're related to reptiles and how some of them became fossils!

Week #3—July 6th - 9th

FOR THE BIRDS expeditions through fields, meadows, woods and marshes of CNC! Learn to use binoculars and how to identify birds you see all around everyday. We'll be exploring the magic of flight, so don't miss this camp! We value birds so much that each camper will receive a pair of binoculars.

Week #4—July 12th - 16th

FINDING YOUR WAY Never get lost again! Following signs, reading maps, watching the night sky, and navigating with a compass are all tools we can use to always find our way home. Learn to use these tools and how to trail blaze by marking a clear path through the woods to a specific location.

Explorers Camps Ages 8- 13 (full day only)

Week # 1: June 21st - 25th

FISHING FUN We will make our own fishing rods and find our own bait. We'll learn how to cast and aim with games and target practice. We'll learn about the fish that live in our lake and pond; and of course, we'll go fishing everyday!

Week #2: June 28th - July 2nd

REPTILES & DINOSAURS Our next camp is learning about reptiles and amphibians with a healthy dose of dinosaurs thrown in. We'll learn about different reptile and amphibian groups using the center's reptiles or wild amphibians for reference. We'll also explore the world of dinosaurs; how they're related to reptiles and how fossils happen by making our own with native clay.

Week #3: July 5th—9th

<u>WILDCRAFTING</u> Timed to coincide with the ripening of raspberries and blackberries, we explore the world of wild edible plants. We'll collect fruits, roots, nuts and leaves to make a variety of beverages, nibbles, salads. We'll also explore natural dyes and fiber for baskets and cordage. For reference, this is the camp the kids call "Berry Camp".

Week #4: July 12th - 16th

FINDING YOUR WAY Never get lost again! Learn to follow signs, read maps, watch the night sky, navigate with a compass, and use a GPS to always find our way home. Learn how to trail blaze by marking a clear path through the woods to a specific location.

Week #5 : July 19th— 23rd

GARDENING Learn to grow your own food, care for your houseplants, and grow flowers, trees and shrubs. We'll work on our outdoor vegetable garden (located in natural play area), and

Week #5 -July 19th - 23rd

GARDENING Learn to make your own food by growing it! We'll work on our outdoor garden (located in natural play area) Every camper will get a plant to grow and take care of. We'll have tons of adventures in our wildlife garden finding frogs and tadpoles as well.

Week #6: July 26th - July 30th

<u>OUTDOOR FUN and ADVENTURES</u> We'll make walking sticks, build shelters, play games, tie knots, and go hiking! There will probably be the first berries of summer to gather as well.

Week # 7—August 2nd - August 6th

BUGS AND BUTTERFLIES We will be learning about insects that swim, crawl and fly. We'll explore different habitats in search of the insects that live there and do some friendly butterfly netting and water dipping for the critters living in our ponds.

Week #8: August 9th - August 13th

SUPER SCIENCE Herpetology, botany, chemistry, biology, with a little ecology thrown in, make up this not to miss camp! We will do tons of fun experiments during this camp including rockets, slime, mineral investigation, and so much more.

Week #9 : August 16th - August 20rd

ALL ABOUT THE ROCKS why they're so cool! We'll take nature walks to discover where rocks come from and mine for our own samples. We'll also start our own rock collection to take home.

Week #10 : August 23th - August 27th

FISHING FUN II If you missed the first fishing camp, or already attended it, there is something for everyone in this camp. Have you been fishing all summer? Come show what you learned or learn new skills with us to end the summer camp season!

in the Wildlife garden, where we'll learn about the animals attracted to the plants and flowers there. Every camper will get a plant to grow and take care of, and pre-grown veggies to harvest and nibble on.

Week #6: July 26th - 30th

OUTDOOR FUN and ADVENTURES We'll make walking sticks, build shelters, play games, tie knots, and go hiking. We'll also learn to make campfires without a lighter, roast marshmallows, and make things from the native clay in our area. So much to do, so little space to write about it!

Week # 7—August 2nd - 6th

BUGS AND BUTTERFLIES We will be learning about insects that swim, crawl and fly. We'll explore different habitats for the insects that live there and do some friendly butterfly netting and water dipping. We'll also see caterpillars up close and learn what their favorite plant is and how much they eat while planting a friendly butterfly plant or two.

Week #8: August 9th - 13th

SUPER SCIENCE Herpetology, botany, chemistry with a little ecology thrown in, make up this not to miss camp! Learn the hows and whys of weather and do some cool experiments. Learn the ways of archaeology, and visit close up with the reptiles and amphibians that live here. What's your favorite science?

Week #9 : August 16th - 20th

ALL ABOUT THE ROCKS Let's learn all about rocks and why they're so cool! We'll take some nature walks to discover where rocks come from and mine for our own. We'll also start our own rock collection to take home.

Week #10 : August 23rd - 27th

FISHING FUN II If you missed the first fishing camp, or already attended it and want some more, there is something for everyone in this camp. Have you been fishing all summer? Come show what you learned or learn new skills to end the season on.

Camp Fees per Week

Half Day Camp: 10am-12pm Full Day: 10:00 am to 3:00 pm

Tadpoles

Member \$75/Non-member \$83 Member \$187/Non-member \$200

Extend your day by registering for one of our options

Early Morning Camp: 9:00 am—10:00 am Lunch Fun Time: 12:00—1:00 pm Members \$34/ Non-member \$38 Members \$34/ Non-members \$38

Explorers

Tadpole Option (4-5 yr olds)

Afternoon camp 1:00—3:00 Member \$75/Non-member \$83

CHECK ONE BOX

Junior Naturalists

	(Ages 4-5)	(Ages 6-9) []			(Ages 8-13) [] Full day only		
_		Early Camp (\$34./\$38)	Morning (\$75/\$83)	Lunch (\$34/\$38)	Afternoon (4-5yr only) (\$75/\$83)	Full Day (\$187/\$200)	
Week #1	June 21st - 25th	[]	[]	[]	[]	[]	_
Week#2	June 28th - July 2nd	[]	[]	[]	[]	[]	_
Week #3	July 5th - 9th	[]	[]	[]	[]	[]	_
Week#4	July 12th - 16th	[]	[]	[]	[]	[]	_
Week #5	July 19th - 23rd	[]	[]	[]	[]	[]	_
Week#6	July 26th - 30th	[]	[]	[]	[]	[]	_
Week #7	Aug 2nd - 6th	[]	[]	[]	[]	[]	_
Week#8	Aug 9th - 13th	[]	[]	[]	[]	[]	_
Week#9	Aug 16th - 20th	[]	[]	[]	[]	[]	_
Week #10	Aug 23rd - 27th	[]	[]	[]	[]	[]	_
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Payment in Full required with registration	
Total camp fees from table above	
Annual Membership fee \$35.00	
Total	

Return to: Churchville Nature Center 501 Churchville Lane Churchville PA 18966

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[] Check to "CNC" is enclosed [] Master Card [] Visa [] Discover	
	/	CVC
Charge no.	Exp. date	
Name on card (please print)		
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Churchville Nature Center Summer Camp Registration Form

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Camper's name		Camper's nickname	Date of birth	
Grade next fall	Age			
[] Male [] Female	Returning camper? []	yes or [] no		
Parent or guardian (ple	ase print)			
Address				
Phone (home)	Phone (work)		Phone (cell)	
Email address				
EMERGENCY CONTACT	OTHER THAN PARENT:			
Name and relationship			Phone	
What medications will vin our care.	your camper need to bring	g? Please note we do no	t distribute any medication to a	ny child while
Does your camper have allergies, ADD/ADHD?	e any physical or emotiona	al conditions of which ou	r staff should be aware, such as	s asthma,
permission (circle one	arent or guardian of) for him/her to be pho	tographed or taped wh	, give my permission / ile participating in Churchville Nature Center to promote progr	Nature Center
Signature of parent or §	guardian.			