

OUTDOOR CAMPUS

-SIOUX FALLS, SOUTH DAKOTA



The Outdoor Campus

2025 | Fall Homeschool Programs

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HOME SCHOOL PROGRAMS

Nature awareness programs for all ages of homeschooled children. The goal of this program is to introduce children to the outdoors in a fun, active and non-threatening, educational environment.

Register for Homeschool Programs:

- Registration opens Wednesday August 13th at 7 a.m.
- Pre-registration is required for all classes and programs.
- Classes require all class participants to sign a waiver.

To register for classes:

- Go to our website at: gfp.sd.gov/toc-east/
- Sign up on our public computer at The Outdoor Campus.
 Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.,
 Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- If you have any problems with creating an account or registration call Brandt at: 800.238.4168

Cancellations:

Many programs fill quickly. **PLEASE** call us or cancel on the website as soon as possible if you cannot attend a class! Thank you!

Cost:

All programs are free! Thank a hunter or angler for supporting our education efforts!



HOME SCHOOL PROGRAMS



September

Kayak and Canoe Basics

Come learn basic safety and paddling strokes, and then practice your new skills on our pond in canoes and kayaks.

Class Date: Thursday, September 4, 1:00-2:00 p.m.

Fall Fishing at Lake Lorraine

Come join us as we partner with Lake Lorraine to do some fall fishing. Please dress for the weather as we will be outside the whole time. <u>Meet at Lake Lorraine near the Cars For Sale parking lot.</u>

Class Date: Wednesday, September 10, 10:00-11:30 a.m.

Pheasant Hunting Basics

Learn about our state bird and why it's so popular to hunt. We will learn all the ins and outs of hunting pheasants in South Dakota.

Class Date: Tuesday, September 16, 10:00-11:00 a.m.

Archery Basics

Come join us and learn how to safely handle and shoot a youth sized bow and arrow. We will practice our aim on our 3D animal targets and learn how to take an ethical shot.

Class Date: Thursday, September 25, 10:00-11:00 a.m.

October

Food Chains and Food Webs

Come learn how food chains and food webs work. From who eats who to how entire ecosystems are connected between predators and prey.

Class Date: Thursday, October 2, 1:00-2:00 p.m.

Fishing Basics

Learn the basics of what it takes to fish in South Dakota and how to do it safely. We will go over the basics of catching fish and cleaning them, as well as briefly covering some cooking options.

Class Date: Wednesday, October 8, 1:00-2:30 p.m.

Trapping Basics

Come join us as we go over the basics of trapping. We will go over various traps, but also scouting for trapping locations and signs of animal activity.

Class Date: Thursday, October 16, 10:00-11:00 a.m.

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October

Fall Nature Hike

Exploring our trails is a fun and exciting time, especially in the fall. This hike will have you "falling" for the outdoors.

Class Date: Wednesday, October 22, 10:00-11:00 a.m.

GPS Basics and Geocaches

Join us as we learn all about using a GPS and Geocaches. We will learn how to mark objects such as caches, and then how to find them again later. These are basics skills every sportsman use while hunting and fishing. We will go over the basics and then play a "hide and seek" activity using GPS receivers.

Class Date: Thursday, October 30, 1:00-2:00 p.m.

November

BB Gun and Air Rifle Basics

Learn all about the basics of safely operating BB guns and air rifles, spend the rest of the time on our range practicing. Younger children may attend with parent/guardian assistance. Class Date: Tuesday, November 4, 1:00 to 2:00 p.m.

Orienteering, Map and Compass Skills

Join us as we go over the basics of how to use a compass and then put your skills to use on our orienteering trails.

Class Date: Wednesday, November 12, 1:00-2:00 p.m.

Deer Hunting Basics

Join us as we learn all about deer hunting. We will be going over their habits, learning to hunt them, and then doing some taste testing as well.

Class Date: Thursday, November 20, 10:00-11:00 a.m.

