



OUTDOOR Campus



The Outdoor Campus
2018 | Summer Program Guide

HELLO, SUMMER!

Welcome to all our summer friends!

We're glad you're back. If you're new, you're going to have a great time with us! Be prepared to wear sunscreen and get a little dirty. We love to play outside!

We are excited to implement our new education plan in full force this summer! You'll notice less registration, more classes for family units, classes for adults from 18 to 102, new fishing and shooting clubs, a chance for your family to help real scientists gather data and a passionate staff who wants to share their outdoor knowledge like never before!

You are going to love perusing our summer program brochure. Grab a big glass of water and page through our catalog of classes!

See you soon!

Thea Miller Ryan
Director, The Outdoor Campus



Upcoming Deadlines:

June Registration, May 9, 7 a.m.

July Registration, June 6, 7 a.m.

August Registration, July 11, 7 a.m.

Fall booklets available August 8

Save the Date:

Women's Try-It Day, June 23

Sioux River Folk Fest, Newton Hills State Park, August 3

Outdoor University, August 4

Buffalo Round Up, Custer State Park, September 28

What's New In This Brochure?

- Citizen Science—Your Family Helps Real Scientists
- Campus Grad program—earn a t-shirt!
- No registration required Saturdays
- Extended hours and activities for Women's Try-It Day
- More to come!



Watch for this symbol—it means DATE NIGHT!

SOUTH DAKOTA GAME, FISH AND PARKS
PHEASANT HUNTING
100
YEARS

REGISTRATION

PROGRAM REGISTRATION OPENS

For June programs: 7 a.m. on May 9

For July programs: 7 a.m. on June 6

For August programs: 7 a.m. on July 11

THREE WAYS TO REGISTER

1. Online at outdoorcampus.org
2. At The Outdoor Campus
3. Call us at 605.362.2777

COST

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

PRE-REGISTRATION

Preregistration is required of all classes and programs unless noted.

WAIVER

All participants signed up for programs must have a waiver signed in order to participate. The waiver is available on our registration site or in person at The Outdoor Campus.

CANCELLATIONS

Many programs fill quickly. PLEASE call us or cancel on the website as soon as possible if you cannot attend a class. Our waiting list automatically enrolls from your cancellation.

WAITING LISTS

Do not be afraid to sign up on our waiting lists. People often cancel and if you're on the list your name will automatically move into the class and be notified by email.

SPECIAL NEEDS

Please inform us of any special needs, mobility concerns, allergies or other health concerns when scheduling.

****WE ARE NOT A PEANUT OR GLUTEN FREE FACILITY****



ADULT PROGRAMS

Date Night-Fly Fishing and Outdoor Cooking



A night of beginner fly fishing and outdoor cooking instruction is a great way to start off or rekindle the summer flame! Please register all participants. Come hungry and eager to learn! Adults only. Class size: 20

Class date: Friday, June 8, 6:30 to 9 p.m.

Beginning Fly Fishing

Explore the growing craze of fly fishing! This beginner basic class will show you the ins and outs of fly

fishing including equipment, technique and practice. Practice! Practice! Practice! Adults only. Class size: 15

Class Date: Tuesday, June 13, 6:30-8:30

Big Sioux Kayak Run

This class starts at The Outdoor Campus with paddling safety and instruction. We will then launch at Sertoma Park and finish up at Cherapa place or Kilian College in Downtown Sioux Falls. Participants must have transportation arranged for pickup. Adults only. Class size: 20

Class date: Friday, June 15, 1 to 4 p.m.

Hook 'em & Cook 'em

We'll start with an introduction to fishing and the equipment you will need before testing the waters at our pond. With any luck, the fish will be biting and we will learn how to prepare and cook them! It doesn't get any fresher than that! Adults only. Class size: 20

Class date: Thursday, June 21, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Date Night Bow Fishing and Archery



Let's keep Cupid's love flowing with some archery! This combo class will include instruction for archery target shooting and bow fishing! Adults only. Class size: 20

Class date: Tuesday, June 26, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Mosquito App Citizen Science

GLOBE Mosquito Habitat Mapper, which will support citizen scientists to map, count and identify mosquito larvae found in breeding sites. Bring your smart phone and we'll download the app, set up your free account and collect a water sample. Long sleeves and pants recommended. Adults only. Class size: 10

Class date: Monday, July 16, 6 to 7 p.m.

Paddling Class

Learn the difference between canoes and kayaks and the paddles that go with them. We will discuss and practice water safety, paddling strokes, how to get in and out and what to do if you would flip. Wear shoes that can get wet! Adults only. Class size: 20

Class date: Thursday, July 19, 7 to 8:30 p.m.

ADULT PROGRAMS



Ladies Night Hook 'em & Cook 'em

We'll start with an introduction to fishing and the equipment you will need before testing the waters at our pond. With any luck, the fish will be biting and we will learn how to prepare and cook them! It doesn't get any fresher than that! Adults only. Class size: 20

Class date: Thursday, July 26, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Bow Fishing and Archery

This combo class will include instruction for archery target shooting and bow fishing! Adults only. Class size: 12

Class date: Tuesday, July 31 6:30-8:30

SERIES CLASSES (must be able to attend all sessions)

Rhubarb Leaf Birdbath Class

Providing clean water is a great way to attract birds to your yard. This 2 night class will walk you through creating your own unique birdbath for your feathered friends. Adults only (class size 15)

Class dates: Tuesday, June 12 6:30 to 8 p.m. and Tuesday, June 19 6:30 to 8 p.m.

Dutch Oven Cooking

The first night will include cast iron history, tips, tricks and supplies you will need when cooking with a Dutch oven. We will test the ovens with some simple recipes. The second night of class we will prepare more advanced recipes and learn how to clean and store ovens when not in use. Adults only (class size 15)

Class Dates: Tuesday, July 10, 6:30-8:30 and Tuesday, July 24 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Fly Fishing Series

An incredible opportunity to learn everything you need to know about fly fishing ... well almost everything! Special thanks to *Trout Unlimited* volunteers for helping coordinate this special series class! Adults only (Class size 12)

Special Registration Date – Monday, June 25th 9 am

Dates: You must be able to attend all 4 classes in order to register.

Time: 6 to 8:30 p.m. each evening

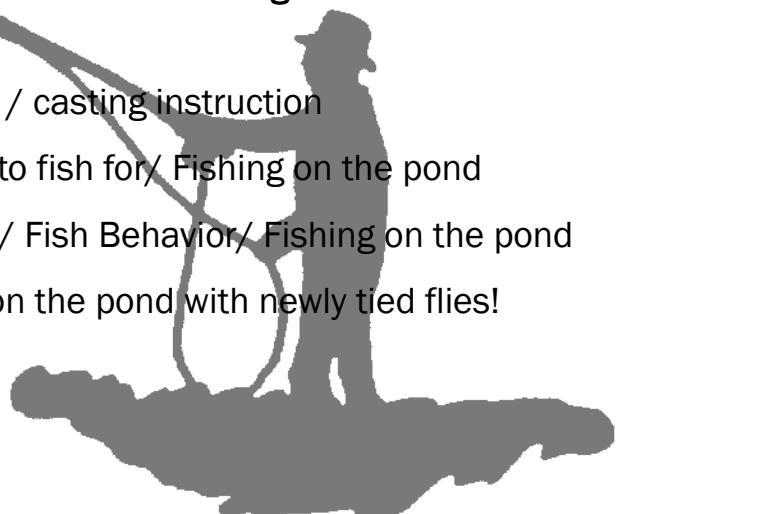
Wednesday, July 11– Fly fishing equipment / casting instruction

Wednesday, July 18 – Where to fish/ What to fish for/ Fishing on the pond

Wednesday, July 25 – Entomology and flies/ Fish Behavior/ Fishing on the pond

Wednesday, August 1 – Fly Tying / Fishing on the pond with newly tied flies!

Time: 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.



FAMILY PROGRAMS



Going on Bug Hunt

We'll turn over rocks, get muddy and walk through the tall grass prairie to find the insects that live at The Outdoor Campus. Class size 25

Class date: Tuesday, June 5, 1 to 2:30 p.m.

Cloud Watching—Citizen Science

GLOBE Clouds asks you to make sky observations and take pictures that can be compared with NASA satellite images to help scientists understand the sky from above and below. Bring your smart phone and we'll download the app, set up your free account and make our first observation. Class size 15

Class date: Thursday, June 7, 4 to 5 p.m.

Catch It, Clean It, Cook It—Fishing

We'll start with an introduction to fishing and equipment you will need before testing the waters at our pond. With any luck, the fish will be biting and we will learn how to prepare and cook them! It doesn't get any fresher than that! Class size 25

Class date: Thursday, June 7, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. OR Thursday, June 28, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

iNaturalist App & Amphibians and Reptiles of SD— Citizen Science

The iNaturalist app is a wonderful tool for the social scientist. This collective app allows you to share your findings from our natural world with others just like you! This class will discuss the how to's and uses of the iNaturalist app and also share information about the Amphibians and Reptiles of South Dakota project linked with it. Class size 25

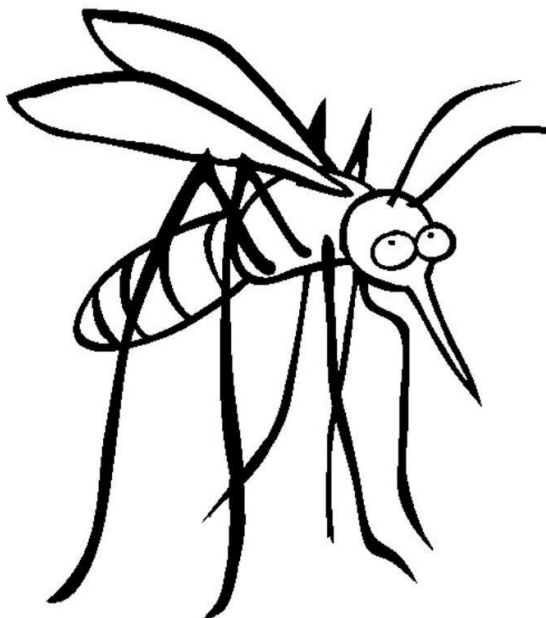
Class date: Tuesday, June 19, 4 to 5p.m.

Biathlon—Orienteering and BB Gun Target Shooting

Combining two of our favorite activities here at The Outdoor Campus this program will include safety instruction and practice with our BB guns and orienteering course. Then, putting what you learned to use, we will have an actual biathlon race! Class size 25

Class date: Thursday, July 12, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Mosquito App—Citizen Science



GLOBE Mosquito Habitat Mapper, which will support citizen scientists to map, count and identify mosquito larvae found in breeding sites. Bring your smart phone and we'll download the app, set up your free account and collect a water sample. Long sleeves and pants recommended. Class 15

Class date: Monday, July 16, 4 to 5 p.m.

Monarch Watch—Citizen Science

Monarchs are declining in great numbers. Learn about what is causing the decline and help us count and tag monarch butterflies on their migratory journey south to Mexico. Class size 25

Class Date: Tuesday, August 21, 3:30 to 4:30

Programs for 3 and 4 year olds and Adult Partners

These programs are designed for preschoolers and their adult partner. The goal of the program is to introduce families with 3 and 4 year olds to the outdoors in a fun, active and non-threatening environment. Class size 15

Age: 3 and 4 year olds with adult partners

L is for Ladybugs

Ladybugs aren't just ladies! Learn this and many other cool facts about ladybugs.

Class Dates: (pick one of the following sessions)

Wed, June 6 10:00-10:45 or 11:00-11:45 Wed, June 20 10:00-10:45 or 11:00-11:45

M is for Monarchs

Learn all about the life cycle of the Monarch butterfly, what it eats and where you can go to find them!

Class Dates: (pick one of the following sessions)

Wed, July 11 10:00-10:45 or 11:00-11:45 Wed, July 25 10: to 10:45 or 11:00-11:45

N is for Nature

Nature is all around us. This class will take us outside to do some exploring.

Class Dates: (pick one of the following sessions)

Wed, August 1 10:00-10:45 or 11:00-11:45 Wed, August 8 10:00-10:45 or 11:00-11:45

Lil Hunter: Archery Basics

Using a beginner's bow, your lil' hunter will practice their aim at our 3-d targets.

Class Dates: (pick one of the following sessions)

Thursday, June 7 9:00-10:00 or 10:30-11:30

Tuesday, June 19 9:00-10:00 or 10:30-11:30

Lil Hunter: Talking Turkey

Lil' hunters will learn how to talk like a turkey and other neat turkey hunting tricks.

Class Dates: (pick one of the following sessions)

Monday, July 16 9:00-10:00 or 10:30-11:30 Monday, July 30 9:00-10:00 or 10:30-11:30

Lil Hunter: Waterfowl Hunting

Using our Nerf guns and duck and goose calls, lil' hunters will learn about waterfowl hunting. **Class Dates:** (pick one of the following sessions)

Tuesday, August 14, 9 to 10 a.m. or 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Lil Anglers: Fishing Basics

Lil' anglers will learn how to hold the fishing pole, what kind of bait to use and how to reel in a big fish. We could even get to touch a real, live worm!

Class Dates: (pick one of the following sessions)

Tuesday, June 12, 9 to 10 a.m. or 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Thursday, June 28, 9 to 10 a.m. or 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Tuesday, July 10, 9 to 10 a.m. or 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Tuesday, July 24, 9 to 10 a.m. or 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Thursday, August 16, 9 to 10 a.m. or 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.

YOUNG NATURALIST PROGRAMS



Our goal is to teach youth about South Dakota's natural environment and resources.

Age: 5-7 years. Parents may stay or go during these programs. Dress for the weather. **Class size: 20**

Marvelous Monarchs

Monarchs are quite marvelous, especially when you learn about this butterfly's life cycle, diet and fall travel plans!

Class dates: (pick **one** of the following sessions)

Wed, June 6 10:00-10:45 or 11:00-11:45

Wed, June 20 10:00-10:45 or 11:00-11:45

Dancing Dragonflies

With the ability to move each of their 4 wings separately, dragonflies are able to fly forward, backwards, up, down, hover and make hairpin turns! Be ready to search out these dazzling dancers and learn more about dragonflies!

Class dates: (pick **one** of the following sessions)

Wed, July 11 10:00-10:45 or 11:00-11:45

Wed, June 25 10:00-10:45 or 11:00-11:45

Wonderful Worms

Get ready to explore The Outdoor Campus for these wiggly creatures! Maybe we will see them in our garden, at the pond and definitely in our worm farm. This will be a fun, hands on class learning about wonderful worms!

Class dates: (pick **one** of the following sessions)

Wed, August 1 10:00-10:45 or 11:00-11:45

Wed, August 8 10:00-10:45 or 11:00-11:45

Young Explorer: Outdoor Survival

Would you know what to do if you got lost in the woods? This class will go over basic outdoor skills along with fun tips and tricks to help you navigate your way home.

Class date: (pick **one** of the following sessions)

Monday, June 11, 9 to 10:30 or 10:30 to 12 noon

Young Explorer: Outdoor Adventure Camp

A combination of outdoor activities to encourage your young explorer to explore, discover and more!

Class dates: (pick **one** of the following sessions)

Friday, June 29 9:00-12:00 or 1:00-4:00 (class size 36)

Friday, July 27 9:00-12:00 or 1:00-4:00 (class size 36)

YOUNG NATURALIST PROGRAMS



Young Hunter: Archery Basics

Young hunters will learn how to safely handle and shoot a youth bow and arrow. We will practice our aim at 3-D animal targets and learn about ethical shooting.

Class dates: (pick one of the following sessions)

Thursday, June 14, 9 to 10 a.m. or 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Tuesday, June 26, 9 to 10 a.m. or 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Young Hunter: Turkey Hunting

Young hunters will learn how to talk like a turkey and other turkey hunting tricks.

Class dates: (pick one of the following sessions)

Monday, July 9, 9 to 10 a.m. or 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Monday, July 16, 1 to 2 p.m.

Monday, July 30, 1 to 2 p.m.

Young Hunter: Waterfowl Hunting

Using our Nerf guns along with duck and goose calls, young hunters will learn about waterfowl hunting.

Class dates: (pick one of the following sessions)

Thursday, August 9, 9 to 10 a.m. or 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Young Angler: Freshmen Fishermen



Learning how to fish on your own without grown-up help! You will learn how to hold the pole correctly for casting and reeling in a big one. Learn about different types of bait and how to use them while fishing. You may even get to take a fish off a hook.

Class dates: (pick one of the following sessions)

Tuesday June 5 9-10:30 or 10:30-12:00

Thursday, June 21 9-10:30 or 10:30-12:00

Wednesday, June 27 1:00-2:30

Tuesday, July 17 9-10:30 or 10:30-12:00

Tuesday, July 24 1:00-2:30

Thursday, July 26 1:00-2:30

Tuesday, Aug 7 10:00-11:30

JUNIOR NATURALISTS PROGRAMS



Our goal is to teach youth about South Dakota's natural environment and its inhabitants through interactive games and activities as well as outdoor exploration. ***Dress for the weather. (class size 24)***

Age: 8-12 years.

Bees Knees

Bees, native and non-native, are some of our best pollinators. Without these fuzzy creatures we would be missing most of our food! This class will teach us about the bee life cycle, behavior and, of course, honey!

Class dates: (pick one of the following sessions)

Wednesday, June 6, 1 to 2:30 p.m. or 2:30 to 4 p.m.

Wednesday, June 20, 1 to 2:30 p.m. or 2:30 to 4 p.m.



Wet and Wild

Grab your dip nets and puddle boots! We are heading to the water to look for the little guys called macroinvertebrates. We will learn about wetland habitats and creatures, large and small that call it home.

Class dates: (pick one of the following sessions)

Wednesday, July 11, 1 to 2:30 p.m. or 2:30 to 4 p.m.

Wednesday, July 25, 1 to 2:30 p.m. or 2:30 to 4 p.m.

Monarch Madness

The Monarch butterfly is getting ready for its migration to Mexico! We will learn about the monarch life cycle, super generation, migration, habitat loss and what YOU can do to help!

Class dates: (pick one of the following sessions)

Wednesday, August 1, 1 to 2:30 p.m. or 2:30 to 4 p.m.

Wednesday, August 8, 1 to 2:30 p.m. or 2:30 to 4 p.m.



JUNIOR NATURALISTS PROGRAMS



Junior Explorer: Outdoor Survival

Learn what you would need to survive a night in the woods. This class will go over basic outdoor skills and fire starting along with fun tips and tricks to help you navigate your way home.

Class dates: (pick **one** of the following sessions)

Monday, June 11, 1 to 2:30 p.m. or 2:30 to 4 p.m.

Thursday, July 12, 10 to 11:30 a.m.

Junior Explorer: Paddling

Learn the difference between canoes and kayaks and the paddles that go with them. We will discuss and practice water safety, paddling strokes, how to get in and out and team building. Wear shoes that can get wet! (class size 20)

Class dates: (pick **one** of the following sessions)

Monday, June 18, 9 to 10:30 a.m. or 10:30 to 12 noon, or 1:30 to 3 p.m.

Wednesday, July 18, 10 to 11:30 a.m. or 1 to 2:30 p.m.

Thursday, July 19, 1 to 2:30 p.m.

Thursday, August 9, 10 to 11:30 a.m. or 1 to 2:30 p.m.

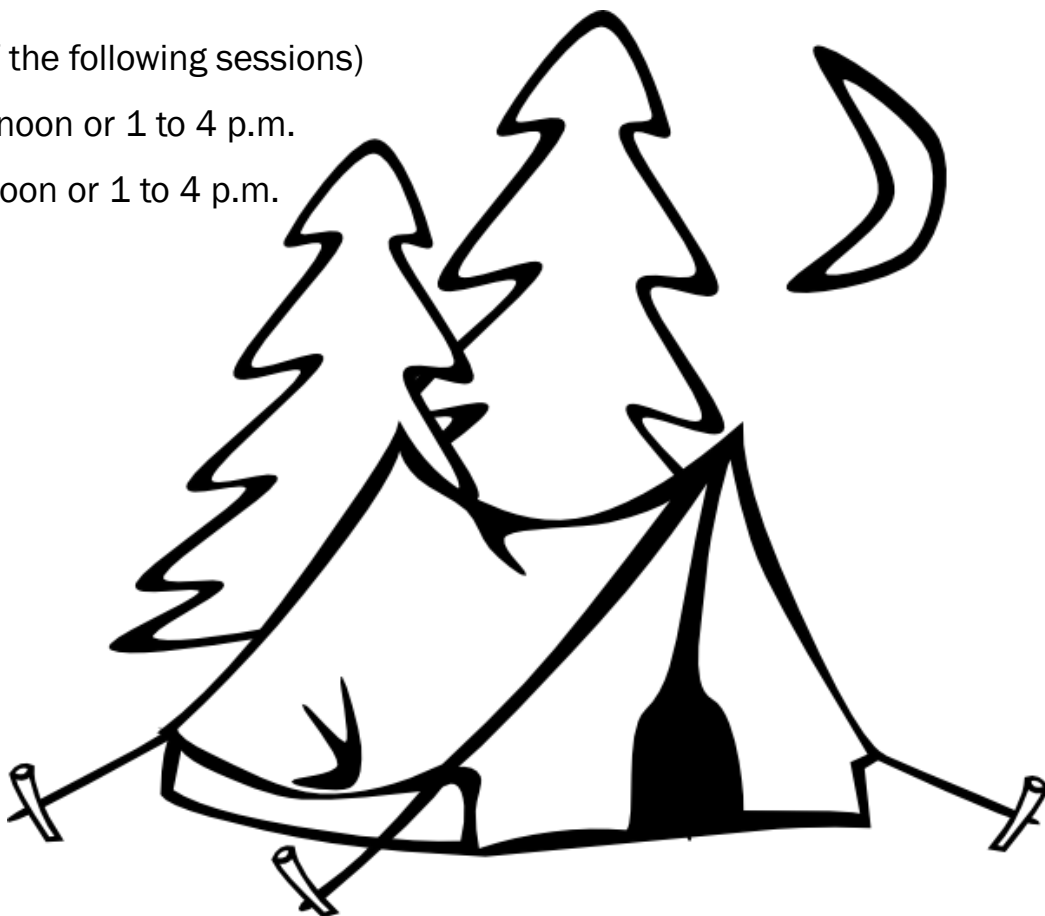
Junior Explorer: Outdoor Adventure Camp

A fun combination of outdoor activities to encourage your junior explorer to explore more! (class size 45)

Class dates: (pick **one** of the following sessions)

Friday, June 22, 9 to 12 noon or 1 to 4 p.m.

Friday, July 13, 9 to 12 noon or 1 to 4 p.m.



JUNIOR NATURALISTS PROGRAMS



Junior Angler: Fishing 101

Beginner fishing skills include knot tying, casting, baiting your own hook and holding fish. Junior anglers will get to do it all! This hands-on class will also discuss fish identification, fishing with lures and finding your own bait. (class size 20)

Class Dates: (Choose one of the following sessions):

Tuesday, June 5, 1 to 2:30 p.m.

Tuesday, June 12, 1 to 2:30 p.m.

Thursday, June 21, 1 to 2:30 p.m.

Thursday, June 28, 1 to 2:30 p.m.

Tuesday, July 10, 1 to 2:30 p.m.

Tuesday, July 17, 1 to 2:30 p.m.

Tuesday, July 31, 9 to 10:30 or 10:30-12 noon or 1 to 2:30 p.m.

Advanced Junior Angler Classes

Fishing is fishing. Right? This class is designed to give confident junior anglers a different fishing experience. Fishing experience is required for these classes. (class size 10)

Advanced Jr. Angler: Fly Fishing

We will learn how to cast a fly rod and what flies to use as bait.

Friday, June 15, 9 to 10:30 a.m.

Advanced Jr. Angler: Bow Fishing

Learn more about the equipment you will need when bow fishing and practice shooting at targets.

Wednesday, June 27, 10 to 11:30 a.m.

Advanced Jr. Angler: Fish Cleaning

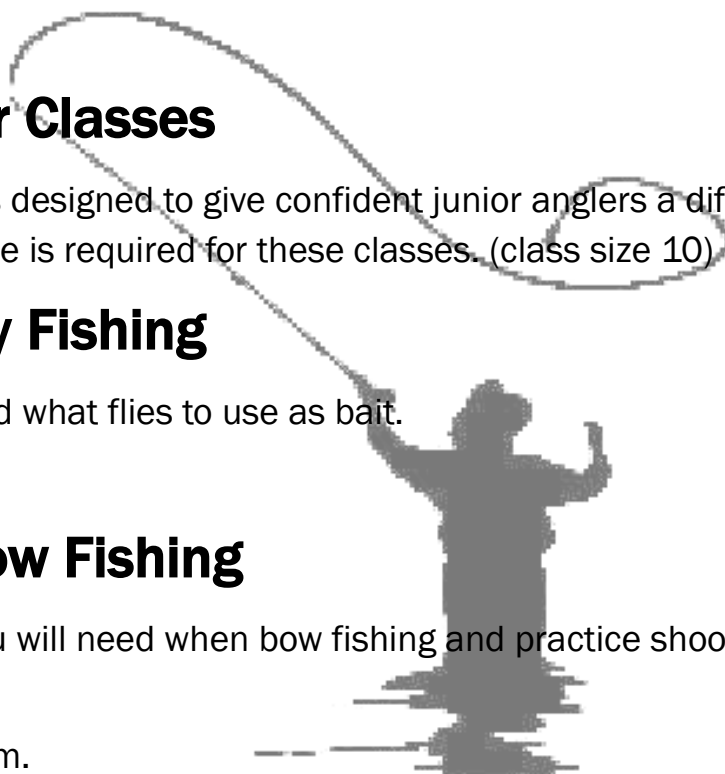
Everyone will get the chance to clean their own fish. We will go over safety and different techniques for cleaning our most common fish.

Thursday, July 26, 9 to 10:30 a.m.

Advanced Jr. Angler: Fishing from a Canoe and Kayak

Test out your balance and fishing skills while multi-tasking - paddling and fishing. See if you have what it takes!

Tuesday, August 7, 1:to 2:30 p.m.



JUNIOR NATURALISTS PROGRAMS



Junior Hunter: Air Rifles and BB gun Target Shooting

Junior hunters will learn gun safety, shooting positions and techniques used while hunting. They will improve their shooting accuracy under the guidance of our trained staff.

(class size 20)

Class dates: (pick **one** of the following sessions)

Thursday, June 7, 1 to 2:30 p.m.

Tuesday, June 19, 1 to 2:30 p.m.

Monday, July 9, 1 to 2:30 p.m.

Junior Hunter: Archery 3-D Target Shooting

Experience the thrill of archery! Students will learn archery safety with the equipment and on the range. We will discuss hunting ethics and while mastering our firing skills and techniques. (class size 20)

Class dates: (pick **one** of the following sessions)

Friday, June 8, 10 to 11:30 a.m. or 1 to 2:30 p.m.

Thursday, June 14, 1 to 2:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 26, 1 to 2:30 p.m.

Monday, July 23, 10 to 11:30 a.m. or 1 to 2:30 p.m.

Junior Hunter:

JAKES Turkey Hunting

Members of our local National Wild Turkey Federation (NWTF) will be leading this introduction to turkey hunting class for our junior hunters. This fast-paced class will include learning how to use a variety of turkey calls, BB gun target shooting and tips for hunting wild turkey.

(class size 45)

Thursday, Jul 19 10 to 12:00



Junior Hunter: Waterfowl Hunting

We will discuss the basics of waterfowl hunting including duck and goose calling, duck and goose identification along blind and decoy set up. (class size 20)

Class dates: (pick **one** of the following sessions)

Thursday, Jul 12 1:00-2:30

Thursday, Aug 2 10:00-11:30 or 1:00-2:30

Become a Campus Grad and Earn a T-shirt!

Our summer Campus Grad program was created to encourage learning, independent exploration and encourage community involvement for kids and their families.

Complete the following requirements this summer to become a Campus Grad, earn a T-shirt and a chance to win great prizes at the end of summer. Summer programs include any program during the months of June, July and August.

Be a Campus Grad!

Who Can Participate?

Sprouts (children ages 3 and 4)

- Must complete any 3 Outdoor Campus summer classes and an *outdoor skill on their own.

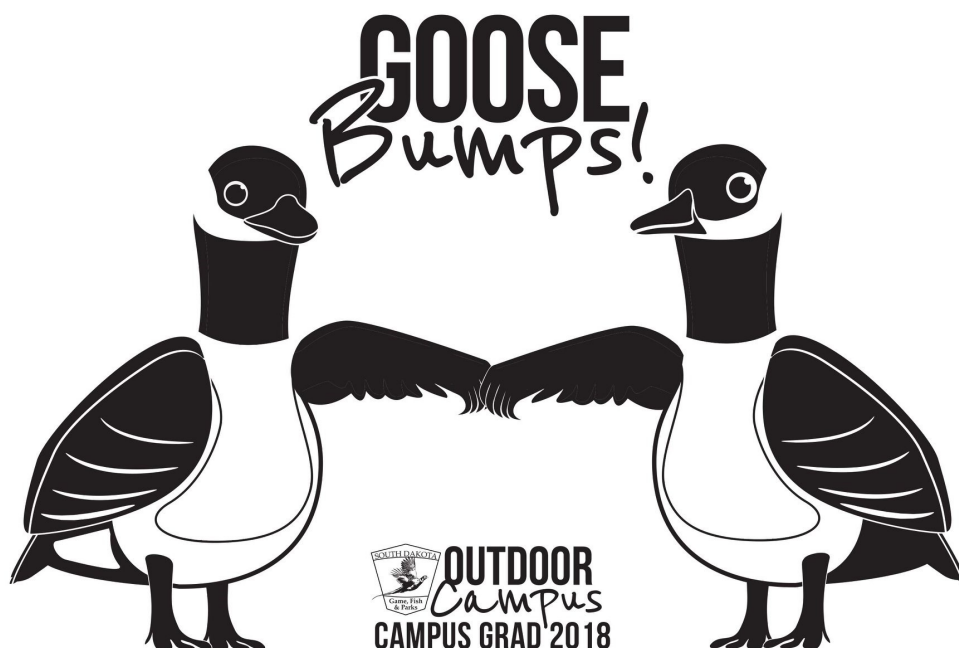
Young Naturalists (children ages 5 to 7)

- Must complete any 4 Outdoor Campus summer classes and an *outdoor skill on their own.

Junior Naturalist (children ages 8 to 12)

- Must complete any 5 Outdoor Campus summer classes and an *outdoor skill on their own.

*Outdoor skills can include fishing, hiking, bug collecting, gardening, outdoor photography, geocaching, orienteering, hiking and other outdoor fun with the family.



Super Saturdays!

No plans for Saturday? Last minute guests arrived? Just need to get outside? We're starting SUPER SATURDAYS this summer. Join us for FREE activities. We supply all the equipment and no registration is required. All ages are welcome, but adults must accompany kids.

Two sessions, each Saturday
10 a.m. to 12 noon & 1 to 3 p.m.

June 2 Fishing

June 9 Archery

June 16 Paddling

June 30 Fishing

July 7 Archery

July 14 Paddling

July 21 Fishing

July 28 Archery

SPECIAL EVENTS



Women's Try-It Day

Bring all the ladies and try fishing, archery, outdoor cooking, shooting and much more. This year's event will run a little longer with more activities available! We are excited to partner with Trout Unlimited, Girl Scouts of America, Outdoor Women of South Dakota, Home Grown Sioux Falls along with an exceptional group of volunteers.

Saturday, June 23, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.



Outdoor University

Bring the family to our largest event of the year. Try paddling, shooting, archery, games, fishing, and fly fishing. Meet conservation officers and outdoor organizations. We've got a touch pond filled with frogs, toads and fish, big chances to win prizes and even activities for the smallest children. We have food trucks, so you plan to spend the whole day playing outdoors here.

Saturday, August 4, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Fishing at Family Park

FREE fishing at Family Park on Saturdays this summer (June 2 through July 28 from 9 to Noon). Fishing is first-come, first-served. We supply everything, including poles, bait, tackle, etc. This is a joint project of the South Dakota Game, Fish and Parks and the City of Sioux Falls Parks and Recreation. All ages are welcome. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Family Park is located on west 12th Street and Tea-Ellis Road.



Your Family Can Be Real Scientists This Summer

Join our new team of Citizen Scientists this summer. We're committed to teaching your family how to gather data for real, current and important science projects. We'll be gathering data for meteorologists, herpetologists, entomologists and naturalists!

How? You come to our training sessions and learn how to collect and report the data.

What projects?

Cloud Watch—GLOBE

Cloud Watch explores the connections between cloud type, cloud cover, and weather. Participants observe cloud type and coverage and weather conditions over a five-day period and correlate these observations. Participants make and test predictions using these observations.

Thursday, June 7, 4 to 5 p.m. Family Program

iNaturalist and Reptiles and Amphibians of South Dakota

The iNaturalist device application is a wonderful tool for the social scientist. This app allows you to share your findings from our natural world with others just like you! This class will discuss the how to-s and uses of the iNaturalist app and also share information about the Amphibians and Reptiles of South Dakota project linked with it.

Tuesday, June 19, 4 to 5p.m.

The Lost Ladybug Project



Mosquito App—GLOBE

An activity to build awareness of the many different breeding habitats used by mosquitoes as well as the four life cycle states of a mosquito (egg, pupa, larva, and adult). The Mosquito Habitat Mapper focuses on the larva stage, but asks when taking a sample if mosquito eggs, pupa or adult mosquitoes are also found in the sample or site.

Monday, July 16, 4 to 5 p.m. Family Program

Monday, July 16, 6 to 7 p.m. Adults only

Lost Lady Bug Project

Across North America ladybug species composition is changing. Over the past 20 years native ladybugs that were once very common have become extremely rare. During this same time ladybugs from other parts of the world have greatly increased both their numbers and range. This is happening very quickly and we don't know how, or why, or what impact it will have on ladybug diversity or the role that ladybugs play in keeping plant-feeding insect populations low. We're asking you to join us in finding out where all the ladybugs have gone so we can try to prevent more native species from becoming so rare.

Tuesday, July 17, 1 to 2:30 Family Program

Monarch Watch

Monarchs are declining in great numbers. Help us count and tag monarch butterflies on their journey south to Mexico.

Tuesday, August 21, 3:30 to 4:30 Family Program

BE A VOLUNTEER!



Volunteer Opportunities

By becoming a volunteer at The Outdoor Campus, you will experience a variety of opportunities that will increase your own and other's awareness of South Dakota's great outdoors!

Give back to your community



Examples include:

- Program Assistance (fishing, paddling, outdoor cooking, etc.)
- Gardening
- Animal Care
- Special Events (Outdoor University, Women's Try-It Day, Halloween Hike, etc.)
- Front Desk Duty

How To Get Started!

1) Submit a completed application form on The Outdoor Campus website.

www.outdoorcampus.org

2) Kyle, our volunteer coordinator will call to set up an interview once your application is received and reviewed.

3) Once your interview is completed and a background check is completed, Kyle will schedule an orientation to get you more familiar with The Outdoor Campus and what you'll be doing here!

4) Finally, after the orientation, you'll be ready to start volunteering! You will be able to sign up online for whatever available programs you choose.

The best volunteers in
Sioux Falls walk
through our
doors!



Hey,
volunteers— Join
us anytime for
Popcorn Wednesdays!



Our volunteers are the best!

ABOUT THE OUTDOOR CAMPUS



How are these classes FREE?

Our funding comes from the sale of hunting and fishing licenses in South Dakota. If you like our classes thank a hunter or an angler.

How can we support The Outdoor Campus?

Buy a hunting and fishing license in South Dakota. Nationwide the sale of licenses are declining rapidly as we lose the Baby Boomer Generation. They were the last large group of hunters and anglers. We need to replace the funds they put toward habitat, wildlife management, conservation, recreation and education. Every single license you buy in your family helps fisheries, pheasant habitat and so much more—including The Outdoor Campus.

Do you get any other funds?

We do receive some funding from a Federal excise tax on hunting and fishing equipment

MISSION STATEMENT

The South Dakota Game, Fish and Parks provides sustainable outdoor recreational opportunities through responsible management of our state's parks, fisheries and wildlife by fostering partnerships, cultivating stewardship and safely connecting people with the outdoors.

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Meet the Interns!

Stop by and meet our summer interns!

Alex, Chloe, Emma, Mahli, Emily, Jessie, Kyle, Lydia, Dana, Laramie and Bella!

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Our Facebook page is updated daily. Follow us for the latest in outdoor news, pop up classes and photos from our programs.



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We've always got something to say! Tweet with us. We tweet back!



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We post a lot of photos. Want to see what's happening out here? This is the place to look!



Find us on Snapchat @outdoorcampus

Snapchat take-overs by interns? YES! Watch some of our activities as they happen here!



Find our blog outdoorcampus.wordpress.com

Our blog is a great way to find the story behind the story. Meet people, animals, see behind the scenes photos of Game, Fish and Parks at work.



Find our website outdoorcampus.org

What ages can attend the HuntSAFE classes?

South Dakota's HuntSAFE (*Safety And Firearms Education*) courses are



designed for persons age 12 through 15.

Persons who are 11 may participate, but will not be

issued a Hunter Safety certification card until they turn 12, unless the card is clearly marked that the card is not valid in South Dakota until their 12th birthday.

If a student's 12th birthday falls on or between Sept. 1 and Dec. 31, they may be issued a card and eligible to obtain a license and hunt beginning Sept. 1 of that year. Adults are also welcome and invited to attend.

Where do I find a listing of HuntSAFE classes in my area?

<http://gfp.sd.gov/outdoor-learning/hunter-education/hunt-safe.aspx>