

W!LD CLASSROOM

GUIDE 2016-2017



RATES

Self-Guided Admission

Student	\$4 per youth
Chaperone	\$8 per adult
Teacher & staff	Free

Admission and (1) Program

Student	\$6 per youth
Chaperone	\$10 per adult
Teacher & staff	Free

Additional Programs are
\$2 per person per program

*Admission rate includes Wild Walk
when seasonally open

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PRE-K THROUGH 5th GRADE

Program length: 30-45 minutes

SENSORY EXPLORATION

Pre-K – 2nd grade

This walk along our trails with a naturalist allows younger students to explore and connect with nature using their five senses through engaging hands-on activities.

HALFWAY HABITATS

K – 2nd grade

Why do we find certain animals in specific habitats? What is a habitat, and what happens when two habitats overlap? Hands-on activity allows students to discover ideal Adirondack habitats for our animals.

MAMMALS OF THE ADIRONDACKS

3rd – 5th grade

Play detective with our collection of skins and skulls. Students will follow clues to determine who once wore that coat and chomped down with those sharp teeth while learning about animal adaptations.

EROSION: ALL AROUND US

3rd – 5th grade

The earth's surface is dynamic and constantly changing as all around us water is slowly eroding away the landscape. Navigate our exhibit space with a naturalist and do hands-on activities to find out how erosion affects what you see.

MIDDLE SCHOOL THROUGH COLLEGE

Program length: 45-60 minutes

KEEP IT CLEAN IN THE TROUT STREAM

6th – 8th grade

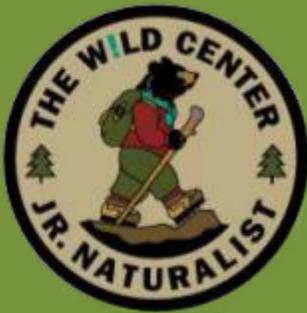
Every year The Wild Center invites experts to conduct a scientific assessment of the quality of our trout tanks. Students will act as fisheries biologists to analyze water samples and other conditions trout need to thrive. Learn what healthy water means to the trout of New York and what students can do to protect water quality.

JUNIOR NATURALIST PROGRAM

Become a naturalist! Students take a closer look at the natural world around them through this self-guided, environmental education booklet.

The Junior Naturalist Program is available for three school-aged groups: K-2, 3-5, 6-8.

After completing a variety of activities that engage children across the museum and outdoor campus, each student obtains a patch honoring their work.



SCHEDULE A VISIT

1. GO TO OUR WEBSITE
<http://bit.ly/WildClassroom>

2. CLICK ON REGISTRATION
FORM

ANIMAL TRACKING

6th – 12th grade

Can you track an animal to its home in the Adirondacks? Students will work as a group on The Wild Center trails and use the same equipment used by scientists in the field to locate a radio collared animal (not a real animal!) hiding on our site. Content covered includes review and use of radio tracking equipment.

CLIMATE CHANGE PAST & PRESENT

9th grade - college

Climate change has always been occurring; now the modern world is experiencing climate change at an unprecedented, accelerated rate. Visit our new experience, Planet Adirondack, and learn about climate change and its impacts on our earth using [Science on a Sphere](#).

NEW PATH WALK

9th grade – college

What makes our site “green”? Explore innovative technology and environmental design on a tour of our outdoor green exhibits. Try our solar fountain, see what a reclaimed gravel pit looks like, and learn about restrooms that don’t use water.

ANIMAL EXPERIENCE PROGRAM

All Age Levels - 30 minutes

*Animals subject to change based on the seasonal availability and care of our living collection.

Choose one of the following options:

- Skunk
- Reptiles & Amphibians
- Owl
- American Kestrel
- Blue Jay
- Porcupine
- Red-tailed Hawk

PROGRAMS AT A GLANCE:

COMMON CORE & NEXT GENERATION SCIENCE STANDARDS

Standards have shifted from just *knowing* to an emphasis on *doing*. The Wild Center provides a forum to apply the standards in multiple literacies and is a great resource for “stuff” that can be the basis for inquiry. Students have the opportunity to make a claim about science, find the evidence to back it up, and share their reasoning. A field trip can be part of in-depth, project-based learning that draws on classroom experience, independent conclusions, and the museum visit experience.

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Next Generation Science Standards										
Asking Questions & Defining Problems										
Using Models										
Carrying out Investigations										
Analyzing & Interpreting Data										
Obtaining, Evaluating, & Communicating Information										
Common Core State Standards										
Participate effectively in conversations										
Evaluate information presented in diverse media and formats										
Present information, findings, and supporting evidence										