Programs are free of charge, but reservations are required. All materials are provided unless otherwise specified; please review with the scheduler upon making your reservation. Maximum Capacity: 50 students per group.

One chaperone for every 9 students is required.

Please call 413-245-1353 to schedule your visit.

**FALL NATURE WALK (October 2023)**

The Norcross Wildlife Sanctuary trail system has many habitats to explore. Take a guided nature walk through trees, meadows, and around streams and ponds. Create an autumn journal checklist to record all of your nature sightings.

**ECOSYSTEMS (October 24, 2023—November 30, 2023)**

Explore the need for a balanced ecosystem including the water cycle. Each student will create a “mini-ecosystem” in the form of a terrarium. Each participant must bring a clean, clear container large enough to fit their hand into to complete the project. Teachers please bring boxes to transport projects.

**BIRDS IN WINTER (December 1, 2023—January 12, 2024)**

Explore migration, winter hardships, how nature provides for wintering birds, and the rewards of having a feeding station. Students will build a “block” feeder to help their feathered friends this season. All materials provided. Teachers please bring boxes to transport projects.
BAT HOUSE BUILDING  (January 23— February 9, 2024)
Learn about bats and build a bat house where they can raise their young.
Participants should be at least 8 years of age for this program.
All materials are provided.

ANIMAL TRACKS & SIGNS  (March 5— April 19, 2024)
Become more aware of our natural surroundings by recognizing some common animal tracks and signs.
All participants will make a plaster cast of an animal track.
Materials are provided.

WILDLIFE GARDEN & SPRING NATURE WALK  (April 30— June 2024)
Learn how we can help our backyard pollinators with the many challenges they face. Explore the Norcross Wildlife Trails and learn how to create a nature journal. Students will plant seeds to take home and start their own wildlife habitat.
Teachers please bring boxes to transport projects.