Norcross Wildlife Sanctuary
Youth & Education Programs
Fall 2024 - Spring 2025

There is no charge for any program. Materials are provided unless specified.

Reservations Required: 413-245-1353

www.norcrosswildlife.org

A maximum of 50 students is advisable for any one group. One chaperone to every 9 students is appreciated.

FALL NATURE WALK: September 24—October 18

The Norcross Wildlife Sanctuary trails have many habitats to explore. Take a guided nature walk that will venture through trees, meadows and around streams and ponds. We will create an autumn journal checklist to record nature sightings. Dress according to the weather.

ECOSYSTEMS  October 22—December 6

This program explores the need for a balanced ecosystem which includes the water cycle. Each student will create a “mini-ecosystem” in the form of a terrarium. It is required that each participant bring a clean, clear container large enough to fit their hand into to complete the project. Teachers-please bring boxes to transport projects back to school.
BIRDS IN WINTER: December 10—January 17

This program explores 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 28—February 28

People can help bats by building a bat house to promote 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 11—April 25

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. Teachers please bring boxes to transport projects.

WILDLIFE GARDEN & SPRING NATURE WALK: May/June

Wildlife has many challenges. Learn how we can do to help our backyard pollinators. Students will plant seeds to take home and start their own wildlife habitat. We will explore The Norcross Wildlife Trails and create a nature journal. Teachers please bring boxes to transport projects.