



Outdoor Adventures

St. Joseph County Parks

2018 Summer Nature Camps



During Outdoor Adventures Summer Nature Camps at St. Patrick's County Park, you'll splash, hike, and climb your way to adventurous outdoor fun! Practice archery or wade down the creek. Catch tadpoles in the pond. Paddle a canoe or kayak. Whether it's through a game, a craft or a quiet moment of observation, you'll find surprising discoveries waiting around every corner.



Entering Kindergarten-1st grade (age 5-6):

Tiny Naturalist!

July 9-16 9am-12pm

Become an official "Tiny Naturalist!" Campers will search high and low for bugs, birds, mammals and other four-legged creatures found in the park. We'll hike, run and play "Nature games!"

Minimum 8, maximum 16.
Fee: \$65.00

Entering 3rd-4th grade (age 8-9):

Outdoor Artists

July 30-August 3 9am-2:30pm

Explore! Discover! Create! Scientist from Notre Dame's Joint Institute for Nuclear Astrophysics will join us for a weeks hands on art projects and scientific investigations. In addition to creating works of art, we'll hunt for fossils, practice archery skills and explore the creek.

Minimum 8, maximum 16.
Fee: \$90.00

Entering 5th-6th grade (age 10-11):

Hiking on the Wild Side!

July 23-27
M-W, 9am-2:30pm; Th-F 5pm-9am

Compete in the mud Olympics, play endangered species musical chairs and test your nocturnal senses with an overnight campout at the Manion Cabin. Bring your hiking shoes for trips to hike an old-growth forest, tromp in a swamp and hike the dunes at Lake Michigan.

Minimum 6, maximum 13.
Fee: \$90.00

Entering 1st-2nd grade (age 6-7):

Outdoor Kid!

July 16- 20 9am-2:30pm

The outdoors is your playground! Explore ponds, fields and forests While discovering the sights, sounds and smells of nature. Hike the trails, build a fort and play some WILD games.

Minimum 8, maximum 16.
Fee: \$90.00



Entering 6th-8th grade (age 11-14):

Kayak Trip

Thursday, June 28 9am-2:30pm

Paddle, steer and float your way as we take a 4 ½ mile trip down the St. Joseph River. Learn the basics of kayaking and safety techniques. Discover the wildlife which share our river with us; and explore the history Of this amazing resource.

Minimum 6, maximum 13.
Fee: \$30.00

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- Campers in full-day camps should bring a sack lunch. Children in the half-day (9:00-12:00) camp do not need a lunch.
- To register for Outdoor Adventures, fill out the registration form below. Full payment must be enclosed. Make checks payable to **St. Joseph County Parks**.
- Mail your registration to:
Bendix Woods County Park, 32132 S.R. 2, New Carlisle, IN 46552, Attn: Summer Camp. Registration deadline is one week in advance of camp start date.
- Campers must register for the camp designated for their age group.
- Refunds are available only if the position can be filled from our waiting list. A 20% processing fee will be withheld from all approved refunds. However, no refunds are available for cancellations made within five working days of the program.



Please fill out form below and return to above address



Name _____ Grade Level in Fall _____ Age _____

Dates of camp for which you wish to register _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Parent's Full Name(s) _____

Parent's Phone (h) _____ (w) _____ (cell) _____

Parent's E-mail Address _____

Emergency Contact Name/Phone: _____

Please list any dietary/health concerns your child has: _____

Has your child attended day camp at St. Patrick's County Park before? _____ Number of years _____

Enclosed is a check for \$ _____, the full payment for Outdoor Adventures. Please make checks payable to **St. Joseph County Parks**.



The undersigned waives all claims for bodily or property damage to myself or my property and/or the property of the St. Joseph County Parks & Recreation Department and all claims against the organizers, sponsors, or any of the supervisors appointed by them. I do assume all the risks and hazards incidental to the conduct of the activity, transportation to and from the activity, and do further absolve, indemnify, and hold harmless the St. Joseph County Parks & Recreation Department, the organizers, sponsors, and the supervisors, any and all of them.

Parent's/Guardian's Signature _____ Date _____

Upon receipt of signed, completed form and payment in full, you will receive a confirmation notice via e-mail. Refunds are available only if the position in the program can be filled. A 20% service fee will be withheld from all refunds. No refunds will be issued if cancellation is made within five business days of start of program. We reserve the right to cancel or reschedule any programs. If a program can't be rescheduled, refunds will be made available.



I understand that photos could be taken of my child participating in Outdoor Adventures Summer Day Camp. I give St. Joseph County Parks and their legal representatives permission to utilize said photographs of my child for use in park brochures, park websites or social media.

_____ Parent/Guardian Initials