

OCPR Outdoor Skills



An Outdoor Program Series Focused on Awareness, Wellness, and Stewardship



*Pre-COVID photograph of participants learning about tracks.

Dates: Tuesdays, April 13 - May 18, 2021

Time: 5:30-6:30pm (Weeks 4 & 6 are 2 hours)

Location: Varies Depending on Weekly Topic

Reg. Fee: \$50, Open to Participants Ages 8-12

Week 1 - Wildlife of Virginia, 1 hour

Participants will learn about some of the major wildlife species in our state, including habits, habitats, and fun facts. This session will be classroom style but with hands-on props and examples.

Week 2 - Tracking & Identifying Sign, 1 hour

Participants will learn the basics of identifying wildlife tracks and sign, including hands on demonstrations of walking styles (gait) and how tracks register.

Week 3 - Birds of the World (in partnership with Earthquest), 1 hour

Earthquest joins our group for an environmental education program, featuring their amazing birds of prey and parrots.

Week 4 - The Outdoors & You (in partnership with Orange Healthy Community Action Team), 2 hours

This class will begin with an open discussion about outdoor recreation opportunities to help spark new interests in using wild spaces to maintain a healthy lifestyle. Example activities will include a basic archery lesson, garden yoga, and bucket gardens.

Week 5 - Stewardship (in partnership with Orange County Litter Control), 1 hour

Participants will learn about the impact of litter in our wild spaces, to include visual demonstrations of decomposition timelines and water quality impacts.

Week 6 - Field Day, 2 hours

Putting enjoyment and stewardship principles to practice, the group will venture to a wilder environment to hike while looking for wildlife and sign, while actively removing any litter found.

Register through OCPR: (540) 672-5435

Registration Deadline: April 6, 2021