

Nature Day Camp



**Registration
begins
Tues, March 6
at 8 am**

**Before and After
Care Available!**

Summer 2018



For over 50 years, Nature Day Camp has supported children's relationship with nature by providing

dynamic, high-quality experiences. Our staff is passionate about connecting with children and developing in them a sense of wonder towards the natural world. In this brochure, you will find camps that have stood the test of time like Village and Chippewa Rangers, and some newer options like the Naturalist-in-Training Series. Share this brochure with the children in your life and help them imagine the opportunities that a week at camp might present for them – kayaking, sleeping in a tent, stomping in mud puddles and the fun of a new friendship. We look forward to welcoming your child to camp! If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at camp@chippewanaturecenter.org or 989-631-0830.

Sincerely,

Steve Frisbee
Camp Director



Venture Out!

Registration Procedure

Information Needed for Registration

User ID – If you are a CNC member or have registered for camps or programs, you have a user ID. If you don't know your user ID, please call 989-631-0830 prior to registering. If you have a family membership, your child or grandchild qualifies for a 20% discount; be sure to log in to receive it!

Camper Information required to complete registration:

- Camper's birthdate
- Camper's t-shirt size (Youth 2-4, Youth 6-8, Youth 10-12, Youth 14-16, Adult S, M, L or XL)
- Contact information (phone, email, address)

Registration Instructions can be found on the website. *Please note: To simplify the registration process, enter all children you are registering on the initial registration page; you will then be able to select specific sessions for each child.*

Before and After Care for Full-Day Camps

\$70 (\$56 for CNC Members) 6-12 year olds

June 18-Aug 10 Mon-Fri	7:30-9:30 am
June 18-Aug 10 Mon-Fri	3:30-5:30 pm



If your kids crave more time outdoors or the camp schedule is challenging for you, register for this before and after care program! Kids who are registered for a full-day camp (except *Habitat Hunters and Exploring Nature Together*) are eligible to attend this special wrap-around program. Campers will be based at the Barn at the Homestead Farm. Depending on camper interest, they may dip at the pond, play games, explore fields or just relax in a hammock.

Snacks will be provided each afternoon and a special breakfast will be provided Friday morning.

Please note: *If your child is registered for Chippewa Rangers, Advanced Chippewa Rangers or Eco Adventures, you will need to register your child separately for both weeks of Before and After Care.*

Cancellation Policy

Registration cancelled prior to June 1	\$10 fee
Cancellations after June 1	50% refund
Cancellations less than 7 days prior to the start of the session	No refund
Switching sessions	\$10 fee (unless it is due to a waitlist opening)

You must call 989-631-0830 to receive a refund; it is not automatically credited.

Wait List

If the camp you wish to register for is full, we encourage you to place your child on a wait list. Should a spot become available, you will receive an email notifying you of the opening. You will have 48 hours to make a payment to reserve your child's spot.

Health Form

The online health form may be completed during the registration process OR you may come back prior to the start of camp. **Completed health forms are required for each camper.** Once you begin the form, you must complete it. You may not save it and return to it later.

Health Concerns or Special Needs

We strive to provide a positive experience for all campers, and are able to accommodate children with most health concerns (*allergies, asthma, diabetes, etc.*) and many other special needs. Our ability to accommodate children depends on their needs, staff availability and the camp the child is interested in attending. Being prepared to serve campers who need a little extra attention or assistance allows us to provide an even better experience for your child. Please contact Steve Frisbee, Nature Day Camp Director, prior to registering.

Our Staff

Nature Day Camp staff are selected based on experience, maturity and dedication to CNC's mission of *connecting all people with nature through educational, recreational and cultural experiences.* All staff are screened with a background check, sex-offender registry check, central registry clearance (for child abuse/neglect) and a driving record check. Each staff member is certified in First Aid and CPR and has participated in Nature Day Camp Staff Training. We hope you will find our staff to be committed to providing an outstanding experience for your child.

Camp Memories

Each camper will receive a camp t-shirt and a certificate celebrating the completion of their session.



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*Application Required

Need Before and After Care?

Campers who register for a full-day camp (except *Habitat Hunters* and *Exploring Nature Together*), and invited to attend this special wrap-around program! See page 4 for details.

Half-Day Camps

Nature Tots

\$135 (\$108 for CNC Members)

3-4 year olds with an adult

June 18-22	9:30-11:30 am
July 23-27	9:30-11:30 am



Through group time, hands-on activity stations and exploration, you (or another caregiver) and your child will become partners in discovery as you explore the natural world. *This camp will be held at the Nature Preschool building and will be taught by a Nature Preschool teacher. Snacks will be provided.*

Tiny Trailblazers

\$135 (\$108 for CNC Members)

3-4 year olds

June 25-29	9:30 am-12 pm
June 25-29	1-3:30 pm
July 9-13	9:30 am-12 pm
July 16-20	9:30 am-12 pm
July 16-20	1-3:30 pm
July 30-Aug 3	9:30 am-12 pm
August 6-10	9:30 am-12 pm



If your child is ready for an independent adventure, he or she will love this camp. We will explore woods, fields and ponds using our senses to make discoveries in every new place. As we play outdoors, we will do age appropriate crafts, play games, enjoy a healthy snack and have fun making new friends at camp. *This camp will be based at the Nature Preschool building and will be taught by a Nature Preschool teacher. Children attending must be able to use the bathroom independently. A special family time will be held at 11:30 am or 3 pm on Friday.*

Let's Explore Nature

\$135 (\$108 for CNC Members)

4-5 year olds

June 18-22	9:30 am-12 pm
June 18-22	1-3:30 pm
July 9-13	9:30 am-12 pm
July 9-13	1-3:30 pm
July 23-27	9:30 am-12 pm
July 23-27	1-3:30 pm
July 30-Aug 3	9:30 am-12 pm
July 30-Aug 3	1-3:30 pm
Aug 6-10	9:30 am-12 pm
Aug 6-10	1-3:30 pm



We'll explore the lives of animals and plants through short hikes, stories, games and crafts. Engaging hands-on activities and exploration will help nature come to life for your young explorer. *A healthy snack is provided daily. A special family time is held Friday at 11:30 am or 3 pm. These sessions will be held at the Nature Preschool building.*

Have to Have a Habitat

\$135 (\$108 for CNC Members)

5-6 year olds

June 25-29	9:30 am-12 pm
June 25-29	1-3:30 pm
July 16-20	9:30 am-12 pm
July 16-20	1-3:30 pm



Every animal has to have a habitat! Through games, crafts, stories and exploration, campers will learn what animals and people need to survive. *A snack will be provided and camp will be based at the Nature Preschool building. A special family time will be held Friday at 11:30 am or 3 pm.*

Before and After Care for Full-Day Camps

\$70 (\$56 for CNC Members)

6-12 year olds

June 18-Aug 10 Mon-Fri	7:30-9:30 am
June 18-Aug 10 Mon-Fri	3:30-5:30 pm



Campers who are registered for a full-day camp* are invited to attend this special wrap-around program based at the Barn at the Homestead Farm. Campers will be engaged in nature in activities such as dipping at the pond, playing games, exploring art or just relaxing in a hammock. Snacks will be provided each afternoon and a special breakfast will be provided Friday morning.

Please note: If your child is registered for Chippewa Rangers, Advanced Chippewa Rangers or Eco Adventures, you will need to register your child separately for both weeks of Before & After Care.

* **Except Habitat Hunters and Exploring Nature Together**

Full-Day Camps – 1 week

Habitat Hunters

\$200 (\$160 for CNC Members)

5-6 year olds



June 18-22	9:30 am-3:30 pm
June 25-29	9:30 am-3:30 pm
July 9-13	9:30 am-3:30 pm
July 16-20	9:30 am-3:30 pm
July 23-27	9:30 am-3:30 pm
July 30-Aug 3	9:30 am-3:30 pm
Aug 6-10	9:30 am-3:30 pm

Campers will venture out to the forests, meadows, ponds and the Homestead Farm as they learn about who lives in each place. Stories, hikes, exploration and crafts will help teach campers what every animal needs to survive. A special family time will be held on Friday at 3 pm. This session will be held at the Nature Preschool Building. *Before and After Care not available for this camp.

explore nature, discovering amazing things about the plants, animals, rocks and weather in our own backyards.

Nature Art

\$210 (\$168 for CNC Members)

7-9 year olds



July 9-13	9:30 am-3:30 pm
July 30-Aug 3	9:30 am-3:30 pm

It's time to get creative! Campers will explore the natural world through a variety of arts and crafts projects. Each day will be spent in a different ecosystem using materials and gaining inspiration from the things that make each place special. Families are invited to an Art Show on Friday afternoon.

Critter Encounter

\$200 (\$160 for CNC Members)

6-7 year olds



June 18-22	9:30 am-3:30 pm
June 25-29	9:30 am-3:30 pm
July 9-13	9:30 am-3:30 pm
July 16-20	9:30 am-3:30 pm
July 23-27	9:30 am-3:30 pm
July 30-Aug 3	9:30 am-3:30 pm
Aug 6-10	9:30 am-3:30 pm

There are so many cool critters hiding all around the Nature Center. Campers will search for birds, chase insects and jump after frogs. We will have the opportunity to see animals face-to-face as we explore their habitats, while others will be encountered through stories, games and crafts.

Nature Explorers

\$200 (\$160 for CNC Members)

7-9 year olds



June 18-22	9:30 am-3:30 pm
June 25-29	9:30 am-3:30 pm
July 9-13	9:30 am-3:30 pm
July 16-20	9:30 am-3:30 pm
July 23-27	9:30 am-3:30 pm
July 30-Aug 3	9:30 am-3:30 pm
Aug 6-10	9:30 am-3:30 pm

It's time to get down and dirty and learn about the natural treasures in the woods, fields and ponds. Campers will become explorers as they discover the elements of the food web all around them. Beginning with the sun, campers will complete challenges as they move through the energy cycle.

Nature Detectives

\$200 (\$160 for CNC Members)

6-7 year olds



June 18-22	9:30 am-3:30 pm
June 25-29	9:30 am-3:30 pm
July 9-13	9:30 am-3:30 pm
July 16-20	9:30 am-3:30 pm
July 23-27	9:30 am-3:30 pm
July 30-Aug 3	9:30 am-3:30 pm
Aug 6-10	9:30 am-3:30 pm

Campers will work as a team to decipher clues and get to the bottom of daily nature mysteries. After going through Detective Academy on Monday, campers will use their sleuthing skills to

Village

\$200 (\$160 for CNC Members)

7-9 year olds



June 18-22	9:30 am-3:30 pm
June 25-29	9:30 am-3:30 pm
July 9-13	9:30 am-3:30 pm
July 16-20	9:30 am-3:30 pm
July 23-27	9:30 am-3:30 pm
Aug 6-10	9:30 am-3:30 pm

Using our imagination and natural materials, we will bring a miniature village to life as we explore country life in the 1870s. Visits to the Homestead Farm and Log Schoolhouse help campers learn about the challenges and resources available to early Midland residents. Campers will love the opportunity to work as individuals and teams to create their own community. Families are invited to visit the Village on Friday afternoon.

Advanced Village: A Fur Trade Adventure 9-11 year olds

\$205 (\$164 for CNC Members)

June 18-22 9:30 am-3:30 pm

Aug 6-10 9:30 am-3:30 pm



If you have a good imagination and enjoy adventure, this camp is for you! You and your crew will set out into the wild to meet with Native Americans in the uncharted wilderness. You will navigate a river with your hand-made canoe, design a homestead and establish a trading post. (Okay, your miniature character will actually be having the adventures, just like Village, but there will be plenty of adventure for you, too – including paddling a 29-foot Voyageur canoe under the Tridge!)

Creature Camp

9-11 year olds

\$215 (\$172 for CNC Members)

June 18-22 9:30 am-3:30 pm

*Campout: June 21-22

July 30-Aug 3 9:30 am-3:30 pm

*Campout: Aug 2-3



If rolling logs, wading through water and outsmarting chipmunks sounds like fun, then this camp is for you! We will spend our days (and one night) walking, stalking and wading through the Nature Center in search of a variety of critters. Dragonfly nymphs, salamanders, crayfish and more will be fair game as we search high and low for as many creatures as we can find.

Naturalist-in-Training Series

The Naturalists-in-Training Series is three independent camps created for campers to explore the profession of a naturalist. Each camp will consist of experiencing one theme of a naturalist's work and how best to share their knowledge with others through Interpretation.

Naturalist-in-Training Scientist

9-12 year olds

\$200 (\$160 for CNC Members)

June 25-29 9:30 am-3:30 pm



NITs will explore science through projects such as researching an ecosystems' biodiversity using citizen science, performing a stream study in the river and training with a CNC naturalist on the care and handling of native animals. The week culminates with the group interpreting a live animal demonstration for their families on Friday afternoon.

Naturalist-in-Training Historian

9-12 year olds

\$200 (\$160 for CNC Members)

July 16-20 9:30 am-3:30 pm



Attempt to start a fire using your own hand-made fire-by-friction kit, paddle the river in a 14 person Voyageur canoe and work on a historical farm as you learn how to make history come alive. At times throughout the week, NITs will train with CNC's Historical Interpreter to discover tips and tricks of the trade. The group will end the week by interpreting a dynamic 1870s farm experience for their families.

Naturalist-in-Training Conservationist

9-12 year olds

\$200 (\$160 for CNC Members)

Aug 6-10 9:30 am-3:30 pm



In this program, NITs will learn skills and methods to inspire people to protect the natural world. Experiences like habitat restoration, river clean-ups and designing inspirational programming with a CNC Naturalist will ignite campers' passion for conservation. As the capstone of the week, the NITs will lead a stewardship-oriented service project with their families on Friday afternoon.

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Exploring Nature Together

\$60 (\$48 for CNC Members)

Aug 20-24

9:30 am-3:30 pm

*Campout begins at 12 pm on Thurs, Aug 23 and ends at 9 am on Fri, Aug 24.

This unique session of camp is designed to be an amazing and powerful experience for children on the autism spectrum and their typical peers. Campers will kayak or canoe, walk in the river,

build forts, do crafts, sing songs and participate in a campout at the Homestead Farm. Each camper will be encouraged and challenged at their own pace in a supportive, fun atmosphere.

*For more details including staffing, application and questions, please contact Steve Frisbee, Camp Director, at sfrisbee@chippewanaturecenter.org or 989-631-0830. Spots are limited and applications, including a teacher recommendation, are required.



10-12 year olds
Application Required

Survival Village

\$205 (\$164 for CNC Members)

June 18-22

9:30 am-3:30 pm

July 9-13

9:30 am-3:30 pm

July 30-Aug 3

9:30 am-3:30 pm

Aug 6-10

9:30 am-3:30 pm

Each day, you will slip into the wilderness to live in a life-sized village built by your own hands. Assuming a character role of your own creation, you will use your imagination and the skills you learn to work as a community. The days will be spent building forts, forging rivers and seeking adventure as you solve challenges and learn to survive by relying on each other.



10-12 year olds

Nature Art II

\$215 (\$172 for CNC Members)

July 9-13

9:30 am-3:30 pm

Inspiration can be found at every turn as we explore nature and use it to inform our art. Using a variety of media including paints, clay, colored pencils and more, we will express ourselves through various projects as we develop our own portfolio for our art show on Friday afternoon.



10-13 year olds

Survival and Outdoor Skills

\$215 (\$172 for CNC Members)

June 25-29

9:30 am-3:30 pm

*Campout June 28-29

Spend the week learning what it takes to feel comfortable in the wilds of Michigan. Learn orienteering skills, build shelters in the woods and practice traditional skills such as fire by friction, cordage making and cooking over an open fire. The campout will be a great opportunity to practice what we've been learning all week long!



10-12 year olds

Adventure Camp

\$300 (\$240 for CNC Members)

June 18-22

9:30 am-3:30 pm

July 9-13

9:30 am-3:30 pm

July 23-27

9:30 am-3:30 pm

Each day of this camp will provide a unique opportunity for campers to challenge themselves or learn new skills. Campers will have the chance to kayak, bike (with their own bicycle), hike, explore a tree-top zipline, and develop strong outdoor skills all week long.



11-14 year olds

Leaders-in-Training (LIT)

\$275 (\$220 for CNC Members)

July 16-20

9:30 am-3:30 pm

Campout & High Ropes Course: July 18-19

July 23-27

9:30 am-3:30 pm

Campout & High Ropes Course: July 25-26

In this program, LITs learn leadership skills and methods of working with younger children. The overnight will provide LITs the opportunity to challenge themselves on a ropes course and improve communication skills, problem-solving and teamwork. The week culminates in being a "CIT for a day," helping counselors with their groups. LITs completing this program will be eligible to apply to volunteer as a Counselor-in-Training (CIT) for the remaining weeks of camp, in addition to summer 2019.



12-14 year olds

Need Before and After Care?

Campers who register for a full-day camp (except *Habitat Hunters and Exploring Nature Together*), and invited to attend this special wrap-around program! See page 4 for details.

Full-Day Camps – 2 weeks

Chippewa Rangers

\$380 (\$304 for CNC Members)

8-10 year olds

June 18-22 & 25-29	9:30 am-3:30 pm	Campout: July 27-28*
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July 16-20 & 23-27	9:30 am-3:30 pm	Campout: July 25-26*
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Come experience camp at its best! Campers will spend two weeks exploring nature, building friendships and choosing which activities interest them the most. An all-day hike near Mt. Pleasant, a canoe trip under the Tridge and an overnight campout at the Homestead Farm are some of the highlights of this session. **Please note: Drop off for the campout will be noon Wednesday and pick up will be noon Thursday of the second week.*



Advanced Chippewa Rangers

\$390 (\$312 for CNC Members)

9-11 year olds

July 9-13 & 16-20	9:30 am-3:30 pm	Campout: July 19-20
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July 30-Aug 3 & 6-10	9:30 am-3:30 pm	Campout: Aug 9-10
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This one-of-a-kind camp gives kids the opportunity to dive into many topics at CNC with special off-site experiences. A live raptor presentation, a trip to a planetarium, exploration of Native American culture, river trip in kayaks and overnight camp out at Hartwick Pines make this two-week adventure one you won't want to miss!



Eco Adventures

\$395 (\$316 for CNC Members)

10-12 year olds

July 23-27 & July 30-Aug 3	9:30 am-3:30 pm	Campout: Aug 1-3
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Wilderness survival, wildlife ecology and Leave No Trace skills are all part of this adventure program! Spend two weeks learning more about the environment and how to care for it, all while having fun kayaking down the river, visiting local parks, exploring the woods and using your new skills! The camp experience culminates in a three-day, two-night campout at a Pigeon River State Forest campground.



Need Before and After Care?

If you are registering a child for Chippewa Rangers, Advanced Chippewa Rangers or Eco Adventures, you will need to register your child separately for both weeks of Before and After Care. See page 4 for more details.



Become a CNC Member!

CNC members help promote stewardship of natural resources and help us teach visitors about the natural world.

Check out the benefits below, and review the various levels of CNC membership online.

- Quarterly newsletter by mail
- 20% off registered programs, including Nature Day Camp!
- Members-only events
- 10% store discount

Spring Break Mini-Day Camp

\$120 (\$96 for CNC Members)

Add'l \$25 for overnight

5-12 year olds

April 3-5	9:30 am-3:30 pm
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Register by March 30

Join us on this nature adventure filled with fun and discovery as we play games, hike, do craft projects, sing songs and more! Campers will be divided into smaller camp groups by age.

Campers 8-12 years old are invited to camp out at the Visitor Center on Thursday night for an additional \$25 fee, and will be ready for pick up at 9 am on Friday.



Adventure Trips

South Manitou Island Adventure

\$430 (\$344 for CNC Members)

11-13 year olds



June 25-29 9:30 am Mon-6 pm Fri

Aug 6-10 9:30 am Mon-6 pm Fri

Please note: Weather delays can occasionally result in the ferry returning up to 24 hrs late.

This island adventure is sure to be the highlight of your summer! After spending Monday night camping at Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore, we will take the ferry to South Manitou Island. There, we'll set up base camp from which we will explore the rest of the island. The days will be filled with fun and adventure as the group discovers abandoned farmsteads, the island cemetery, giant sand dunes and awesome sunsets. Teambuilding, natural art, games and other activities will help round out the days.

North Manitou Island Backpacking

\$430 (\$344 for CNC Members)

12-14 year olds



July 9-13 9:30 am Mon-6 pm Fri

Please note: Weather delays can occasionally result in the ferry returning up to 24 hrs late.

It's time cross the big lake! North Manitou Island is more rustic than South Manitou, and gives us the opportunity to explore at our own pace. After spending Monday night camping on the mainland, we will head to the island. Each night, we will backpack to a new campsite, playing games, exploring and enjoying nature along the way. This beautiful island has miles of shoreline, dunes, forests, meadows and two inland lakes. Come explore with us!

Canoeing the Big Manistee

\$430 (\$344 for CNC Members)

12-14 year olds



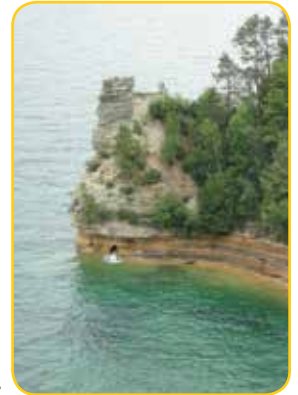
July 30-Aug 3 9:30 am Mon-4 pm Fri

Join us for an amazing trip down the Big Manistee River. On Monday, we'll head north and camp on the river bank before hopping into our canoes Tuesday morning. Each day, we'll paddle downriver, stopping at a different spot each night. With lots of wildlife and excellent fishing, there will be plenty of time for exploration and fun. You'll learn teamwork and communication skills while gaining a sense of accomplishment.

Backpacking Pictured Rocks

\$685 (\$548/CNC member)

14-16 year olds



July 17-25 9:30 am Tues-6 pm Wed

On this extended backpacking trip, you will have the opportunity to spend six days exploring the beauty of Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore. We will travel through the backcountry enjoying vistas of Lake Superior, finding waterfalls and exploring beaches. We'll enjoy new friendships, learn new skills and gain confidence as we successfully complete our route. The first day of this trip will include teambuilding, planning and organizing for the trip. Our last night together, we'll celebrate by relaxing at Tahquamenon Falls. Perhaps we will catch a glimpse of the Northern Lights dancing over Lake Superior!



Mini-Camps Aug 13-15

Sensational Senses

\$130 (\$104 for CNC Members)

Aug 13-15 9:30 am-3:30 pm

Smell, taste, touch, hearing and sight are the senses we use to learn about our world. Do the animals explore the world the same way? We will explore nature using our own senses, while we learn about the senses of the animals around us.



5-6 year olds

STEM into Nature

\$130 (\$104 for CNC Members)

Aug 13-15 9:30 am-3:30 pm

STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) is a natural fit for the outdoors. Investigate bird flight by conducting flight experiments, design the perfect small mammal trap to study animal behavior or engineer a solution to some of the environments most cumbersome problems using teamwork and creative ingenuity. You've heard of makerspace, it's time for naturespace!



6-7 year olds

Eco-Heroes

\$130 (\$104 for CNC Members)

Aug 13-15 9:30 am-3:30 pm

Imaginations will soar as campers choose their own Eco-hero name and the group works together to protect nature from harm. Through secret missions, craft projects and imaginative play, campers will learn about caring for the natural world in a fun, dynamic way.



6-7 year olds

Hop, Slither & Crawl

\$130 (\$104 for CNC Members)

Aug 13-15 9:30 am-3:30 pm

Frogs, turtles and snakes! Learn all about hopping, slithering and crawling amphibians and reptiles during this mini-camp. Campers will explore the woods, fields and ponds of CNC in search of these critters.



7-9 year olds

That's Gross!

\$130 (\$104 for CNC Members)

Aug 13-15 9:30 am-3:30 pm

If things that slither, slime or sludge along are the things your camper loves best, then check out this camp. We'll study scat, sleuth out slugs, find insect-eating plants and explore countless gross, but amazing abilities of plants and animals right here in Michigan.



8-10 year olds

Nature Games

\$150 (\$120 for CNC Members)

Aug 13-15 9:30 am-3:30 pm

*Campout: Aug 15-16

Are the games your favorite part of camp? Do you love to run, jump and outsmart the other team and challenge yourself? This camp will focus on learning about elements of nature through games and having some plain old fun playing camp classics like Camouflage! and Capture the Flag.



10-12 year olds

Fishing Frenzy

\$170 (\$136 for CNC Members)

Aug 13-15 9:30 am-3:30 pm

*Campout: Aug 15-16

Whether you have a ton of fishing experience or you'd like to try it for the first time, you'll have a fishtastic experience! We'll visit several local fishing spots as we learn which fish like which habitats and how to convince them to take the bait. On our campout, we'll pitch tents near Higgins Lake in Roscommon County and fish the primetime hours by canoe. Fishing equipment is available for loan and all group gear is provided for the campout.



10-13 year olds

Paddling Camp

\$150 (\$120 for CNC Members)

Aug 13-15 9:30 am-3:30 pm

Grab a paddle and let's try three unique ways to travel the local waterways! On Monday, we'll take the canoes out on the Tittabawasee River and learn to work together. On Tuesday, we'll spend the day kayaking the Chippewa River, and on Wednesday, we will head to William H. Haithco Recreation Area to try our hand at paddle boarding!



12-14 year olds



**Counselor-in-Training (CIT)
Volunteer Opportunity**

Ages 13-17

Spend two weeks of your summer helping kids have an amazing experience!

Applications and more information available online. Deadline for applications is Friday, April 13

Come join the fun!

About CNC

**Just 5 minutes from
Downtown Midland!**



19+ Miles of Trails
Open year-round, dawn-to-dark daily
Free and open to the public

Visitor Center
Free admission
8–5 Mon-Sat • 12–5 Sun & select holidays

Closed Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve, Christmas, New Year's Eve & New Year's Day