

Field Trips at Bear Branch Nature Center

Bear Branch Nature Center offers the following field trips:

(All field trips can be adjusted to be appropriate for different grades)

- Pre-K: All About Animals: Discover what animals can be found at Hashawha and search for clues that animals have been nearby.
- Kindergarten: Leapin' Lifecycles: Learn about lifecycles and search for animals in various life stages at Lake Hashawha.
- 1st Grade: Seeds and Sprouts: Investigate methods of seed dispersal and pollination; participate in a seed or pollinator hunt outdoors.



- 2nd Grade: Water, Water Everywhere: Examine the water cycle and investigate ways that water impacts life and land outdoors.
- 3rd Grade: Forest Food Webs: Explore the important role of decomposers and take a hike to search for these amazing animals in the woods.



♦ 4th Grade: On the Way to the Bay: Investigate our impact on the Chesapeake Bay and visit Bear Branch to determine the stream's health.

◆ **5th Grade: Our Place in Space:** Explore the night sky in the planetarium and participate in an outdoor "Solar System Walk".

*Additional details available upon request. Looking for something you don't see here or want to mix and match? Just ask!

Field trips include an **interactive presentation by the naturalist** and participation in **hands-on activities outdoors**. Field trips may also include the opportunity to **browse and explore** the nature center and to **hike** the trails at Hashawha. **Cost is \$4 per student and chaperone for schools in-county; \$5 for schools out-of-county.**



All of Bear Branch's field trips have been aligned with Carroll County Public Schools' science curriculum to support what is taught in the classroom. Please note: To accommodate an entire grade in one field trip, teachers and chaperones may be asked to lead students through certain activities.

Field trips can be booked year-round, Wednesday—Friday, 9:00am—5:00pm. To schedule a field trip, call 410-386-3580 or email bearbranch@carrollcountymd.gov



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