

Creature Feature Camp

June 24-27, 9:30am- 2:30pm Monday & Tuesday @ Battle Creek Cypress Swamp Wednesday & Thursday @ Flag Ponds Nature Park



Dear Parents and/or Guardians,

Welcome to Creature Feature Camp! To help ensure that your child has a safe and fun time, I have a few suggestions:

- **Drop off and pick up** your child at the following locations promptly at the above times:
 - o Monday and Tuesday drop off and pick up at the Battle Creek nature center
 - Wednesday and Thursday drop off and pick up at the education building at Flag
 Ponds (please inform the park staff at the front gate that you are here for camp)
- **Sign in:** Please sign your child in and out every day. On the first morning, please allow extra time to double check paperwork. Turning in forms prior to the first day of camp will help save time.
- **Lunch and Snacks:** Pack a lunch plus 2 additional snacks which can easily be eaten while out hiking, such as crackers, granola bars, grapes, etc. If you will be packing a juice box for your child's lunch, please also be sure they have a refillable water bottle.
- **Backpacks:** Please place all personal belongings in a backpack.
- **Clothing:** Dress in OLD CLOTHES that can get dirty or painted. Please make sure that your child has a change of clothes every day.
- **Shoes:** Comfortable shoes are a must, since we will be walking quite a bit throughout the day. For safety reasons, we ask that campers do not wear flip flops or crocs.
- **Bullying:** We want our campers to feel safe; therefore, campers who are bullying others will be permanently expelled from all CCNRD camps.
- **Health/Safety:** While we are having fun exploring nature, I will make every effort to minimize your child's exposure to things like poison ivy, ticks, jellyfish, etc; however, if your child develops a rash or other symptoms, don't hesitate to contact your pediatrician. In addition, please check your child for ticks after camp every day.

I have enjoyed preparing for this camp, and I can't wait to explore nature with my young animal enthusiasts. I look forward to meeting everyone this summer, and please don't hesitate to contact me if you have questions.

Sincerely,

Kim Curren Naturalist Calvert County Natural Resources

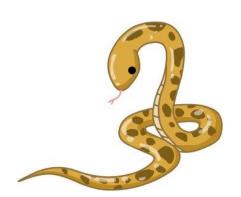
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Creature Feature Camp Checklist:

What to bring:

| □ Lui | nch (pack | in reusable | containers if | possible to | reduce trash | ı) |
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- □ 2 additional snacks for the trail (finger food)
- □ Refillable water bottle (at least 12 oz)
- □ Backpack
- ☐ Extra set of clothes in a labeled plastic bag
- □ Hat
- □ Sunscreen
- □ Insect Repellant (one that works for both ticks and mosquitoes)
- □ 2 or 3 plastic bags (for wet clothes, crafts, etc.)
- □ Raincoat or poncho (no umbrellas) if rain is forecasted



What NOT to bring:

- □ Electronic devices
- □ Money
- □ Candy (except if part of your lunch)
- □ Toys
- ☐ Flip Flops or crocs

Thursday we will be going down to the beach at Flag Ponds. Additional items that must be sent with your camper this day are:

- $\hfill\Box$ Swimsuit (arrive at camp wearing bathing suit under clothes)
- ☐ T-Shirt or swim shirt to be worn over bathing suit (to reduce jellyfish stings and sunburn)
- □ Water shoes or old tennis shoes to be worn in the water (no flip flops or crocs)
- □ Towel

