Our Programs

Patuxent River Park offers interactive environmental education programs along the shores of the Patuxent River. Students will experience the outdoors in truly unique ways. All programs align with Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS), with a focus on wetland ecology.
**ALL GRADES & AGES**

**Estuary Experience**
This 3-hour program package includes a river ecology boat tour, guided wetland nature hike, and fish seining. The package can be tailored to include specific topics (habitat, climate change, wildlife ecology, etc.). Limited to 60 participants. Program is available April – October; FEE: Resident $5; Non-Resident $7

**Guided Wetland Nature Hike**
Observe the tidal and non-tidal wetlands of the river. Boardwalks provide easy access to these valuable resources.

**River Ecology Pontoon Boat Tour**
Learn about the river’s wetlands, wildlife, and history from the water in this Naturalist-guided boat tour. Program is available April–October.

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*FEE STRUCTURE: Residents are persons living within Prince George’s and Montgomery Counties; Non-Residents are persons living in all other jurisdictions.

**PRE-SCHOOL & KINDERGARTEN**

*Nature Crafts: Bugs & Blooms or Tree Leaves*
Children are introduced to nature through an interactive story, craft, and game.

**K – GRADE 5**

*Tidal Treasures*
Students are introduced to wetlands with a hands-on grab bag activity that enables a discussion on food chains, habitats, and other wildlife topics.

*Sweet Pollinators*
Learn the value and diversity of pollinators and their role within the plant life cycle. Program includes a learning game, as well as planting their own seed.

*Beaver Tales*
Learn about beavers, how they affect their environment, and about their specialized adaptations that enable them to live in the wetlands.

**GRADE 6 – 12**

Guided Canoe/Kayak Trip
Explore the beauty of the river on a 3-hour guided trip led by a certified instructor. Limited to: 20 participants for both canoe and kayak trips. Program is available April–October; Ages 12 & up; FEE: Resident $25; Non-Resident $33 (fee is per boat)

*Watershed Connections*
Students are introduced to how watersheds function with the environment through a hands-on model building activity.

10 person minimum fee.
Note: Those marked with an asterisk (*) can be presented off site.

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