

W!LD CLASSROOM

GUIDE 2019-2020



RATES

Self-Guided Admission

Student	\$5 per youth
Chaperone	\$10 per adult
Teacher & staff	Free

Educational Programs

Additional \$2 per student and chaperone per program

*We are able to open for school groups Tuesday through Sunday (excluding the month of April)

**Admission rate includes Wild Walk when seasonally open

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The Wild Center offers on-site student-centered programs in which students explore topics such as earth systems, natural history, biology, and engineering. Hands-on activities and up-close experiences with Adirondack life engages students; leaving lasting memories. Programs are designed for students of all ages, and support New York State educational standards, including Next Generation Science, Math, and English Language Arts Standards.

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

LIVE ANIMAL EXPERIENCE

All Ages

Program Length - 30 minutes

*Animals subject to change based on seasonal availability.

Students meet an Adirondack animal ambassador and experience them up-close while engaging in deep observation and conversations to uncover the hidden stories of our wild neighbors.

YOUNG SCIENTISTS: SENSORY EXPLORATION

Pre-K – 2nd grade

Program Length - 30-45 minutes

A naturalist guides young scientists on an exploration adventure. Students hone their observation skills and stimulate their 5 senses through engaging hands-on activities.

HANDS ON WITH ADIRONDACK MAMMALS

1st – 5th grade

Program Length - 30-45 minutes

Students collaborate with classmates as they ask questions and explore adaptations of Adirondack mammals. Students get hands-on with natural artifacts while facilitators employ Visual Thinking Strategies – a cutting-edge student centered learning technique.

ENGINEERING ON THE TRAIL: EROSION

3rd – 5th grade

Program Length - 30-45 minutes

Students become engineers as they collaborate to design and build model wilderness structures that can withstand the dynamic powers of erosion when put to the test.

We are BOCES Approved.
Your field trip may be eligible
for aid through Co-Ser funding.



JUNIOR NATURALIST PROGRAM

1st-6th grade

Become a naturalist! Students take a closer look at the natural world around them through this self-guided, environmental education booklet.

After completing a variety of activities that engage children across the museum and outdoor campus, each student earns a patch honoring their work.



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TROUT STREAM: FISHERY BIOLOGY

6th – 8th grade

Program Length – 45-60 minutes

Students become fishery biologists as they dive into the world of brook trout, an important indicator species. Students work together to sample water from our exhibits and apply what they learn to evaluate real water chemistry data from the region to determine habitat suitability.

ANIMAL TRACKING: RADIO TELEMETRY

6th – 12th grade

Program Length – 45-60 minutes

Can you track an animal in its habitat in the Adirondacks? Success depends upon students using critical thinking skills and teamwork as they use **radio telemetry** in conjunction with a map and compass to locate a (model) animal hidden on our campus.

CLIMATE CHANGE: IMPACTS & SOLUTIONS

6th grade – college

Program Length – 45-60 minutes

Students are introduced to the science of climate change, drive exploration of its impacts, and discuss solutions to these issues through visualizing global data sets on NOAA's [Science on a Sphere](#).

GREEN TECHNOLOGY WALK

9th grade – college

Program Length – 45-60 minutes

Sustainability is very important to us at The Wild Center. From our inception to the present, we seek to include innovative building techniques and “green” practices to best support our mission. Students explore environmental design in action, as they are guided through our state-of-the-art LEED Certified building and campus to find out what makes us “green”.

DROP-INTO DISCOVERY

All Ages

Program Length – Varies with Program

Best for large groups or those that want the most time possible to explore the wonderful exhibits and experiences The Wild Center has to offer. Students are able to drop into hands-on experiences set up throughout the Exhibit Floor and Wild Walk (seasonally). Educators may request activities that focus on Adirondack Animals, Engineering Design, Building STEM Skills, Sustainable Technology and Connections to the Forest.

