



# WILD CLASSROOM GUIDE 2024-2025

THE  
**WILD**  
CENTER

**Authentic, place-based learning experiences in science and engineering with The Wild Center's directory of student-centered educational programs. All programs are designed to support classroom learning through alignment with Next Generation Science standards.**

## WILD CLASSROOM WORKSHOPS

These **35-45 minute** in-depth programs include a curriculum-based focus while offering **Live Animal Encounters** to complement your field trip experience. Students will practice essential science skills while experiencing Adirondack life up-close.

### CLASSIFYING CRITTERS: (Grades K-4) TAXONOMY OF THE ADIRONDACKS

So many animals have been discovered, yet so many have yet to be identified. Step into the shoes of a taxonomist to learn how scientists classify different species. Students will work together using their new knowledge to classify an Animal Ambassador of The Wild Center.

**Next Generation Science: 2-LS4-1, 3-LS3-4, 4-LS1-1**

### WILDLIFE DEFENSES: (Grades K-6)

Explore the importance of shells, talons, teeth, and quills. Students will get hands-on with natural artifacts to learn how wildlife have adapted for survival in the variety of habitats found in the Adirondacks.

**Next Generation Science: K-LS1-1, 2-LS4-1, 3-LS3-2, MSLS2-2**

### CREATURES ON CLIMATE (Grades 9-College) CHANGE:

Students are introduced to the science of climate change and the exploration of its impacts on Adirondack wildlife. Groups will discover the solutions of these issues through visualizing global data sets on NOAA's Science on a Sphere and exploring the Climate Solutions exhibit.

**Next Generation Science Standards: MS-LS2-1, MS-LS2-4, MESS3-2, MS-ESS3-4, MS-ESS3-5, HS-LS2-6, HS-LS4-4**

## RATES

### SELF-GUIDED ADMISSION

Student	\$5
1 chaperone for every 10 students	FREE
Extra Chaperones	\$10
Teacher	FREE

### WILD CLASSROOM WORKSHOPS

30 individual s or less		\$ 5 0
31-100 individual		\$ 1 0



## JUNIOR NATURALIST PROGRAM

Students take a closer look at the natural world around them through this self-guided environmental education booklet. After completing a variety of adventures that engage students across the museum and outdoor campus, each student earns a patch honoring their work.

*Recommended for ages 10 and under.*

## THE VIRTUAL EXPERIENCE

Whether your class or group is nearby or far away, engage your students in **30 minutes** of curriculum-based science exploration, from a Wild Center perspective. Virtual programs can accommodate up to **100 individuals** and be catered to **all ages**.

### RIVER OTTER ECOLOGY

Follow us on an engaging three part experience, diving into the world of otters. Students will explore the amazing adaptations and natural history of the otters in the Adirondacks.

**Program features an encounter with North American river otters.**

**Next Generation Science Standards: K-ESS3-1, 3-LS3-2, 4-LS1-1, 4-LS1-2**



## RATES

### JUNIOR NATURALIST PROGRAM

Student	\$2
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### VIRTUAL PROGRAM

Each Program	\$100
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Our programs are BOCES aidable for participating school districts.

We offer flexibility to our Animal Ambassadors. Based on the needs and seasonality of our wildlife and the training of our staff, we cannot guarantee any specific animal requests.

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