



Welcome Summer Science & Nature Camp 2012 at the Hudson Highlands Nature Museum!

Dear Parents of Camper,

Thank you for registering your child in our summer camp. We look forward to lots of fun and adventure as we explore the natural world together!

Here's what you need to know:

MEDICAL FORMS – Please return your completed Medical History & Release Form as soon as possible. **Campers are not permitted to attend without a completed medical form and immunization record.** Medical forms are available to download from our website. The medical forms are due no later than one week before the start of his/her camp session, and can be faxed by your doctor if necessary (845-534-4581).

WHERE – Camp is held at the Outdoor Discovery Center, 120 Muser Drive, Cornwall, NY 12518
Enter from Angola Road.

DROP OFF AND PICK UP –

Ramblers Half Day (4-5 year olds)	8:45 – 11:15
Ramblers Full Day (5-6 year olds)	8:45 – 2:45
Trekkers (7-12 year olds)	9:00 – 3:00

Please make every effort to be on time. You may designate someone other than yourself to pick up your child by completing the Alternate Adult Pick Up form. If your child cannot attend on a given day, or will be late for any reason, please notify us by phone at 845-534-5506 x204.

CLOTHING – We will be hiking through the woods every day. To afford the best protection against incidental scrapes and tick bites, we recommend lightweight, long pants tucked into socks and sturdy play sneakers or hiking boots. Shorts, however, are acceptable. **Sandals, flip-flops or other open-toed shoes are not permitted in camp.**

WATER, FOOD & BACKPACKS – Children should bring a snack, a lunch if staying for the full day and most importantly, a **refillable water bottle** in a backpack (No string backpacks and refrigeration is not available).

BUG SPRAY – If you want your child's clothing sprayed with insect repellent, please do so before camp. **Please check your child for ticks every day!**

SUNSCREEN – Camp staff cannot apply sunscreen for your child unless we have written authorization from a parent or guardian. Please apply before arriving at camp. If your child is particularly sun-sensitive and needs reapplication AND needs a counselor's assistance to accomplish this task, release forms will be available each Monday.

FIELD TRIPS

Ramblers Half and Full Day: Every Thursday, you will be dropping off and picking up your child at the Wildlife Education Center on the Boulevard We will provide details and directions on the

first day of camp. Weather permitting we will have a water fun day on Fridays. Please send your child in their bathing suit to camp (1/2 day) or make sure they are able to change into their bathing suits by themselves (full day). Bring a towel and water shoes (flip flop, old sneaker).

Trekkers: Every Wednesday, camp is held at Kowawese/Plum Point in New Windsor and parents are responsible for transportation. We will give you a map on the first day of camp. Fridays are field trips days, except for Wet & Wild weeks when the trip to Splashdown will take place on Thursdays. West Point Tours will provide bus transportation to off-site destinations. We will ask that you provide extra water on field trip days. A minimum of one quart is suggested.

We look forward to providing your child with memorable experiences filled with new discoveries and lots of summer fun. If you have any questions, please give us a call.

Judy Onufer
Camp Director