

Outdoor Environmental Programs

Spring/Summer 2026

Fanshawe Conservation Area

Attention all: Homeschools, Embers, Guides, Cubs, Scouts, & 4H groups!

Fanshawe Outdoor Education Centre is offering a variety of outdoor programs for your organized group at Fanshawe Conservation Area!

Primary Age Programs

Sensory Nature Hike

Participants use their senses to gain awareness and appreciation of plants and animals while exploring various natural communities. Games and activities throughout the hike encourage interaction with group members and the environment.

Flap 'n' Map

Participate in a "choose your own adventure" activity to simulate the Monarch migration, and learn the cardinal directions along with butterfly anatomy and life cycle.

Sensational Spring

The birds are returning! Gain knowledge by watching them with binoculars and playing games. Let us help you discover and examine other springtime secrets and mysteries!

Pond and Forest

Explore with dip nets at the pond, and hike into the forest. Play a game that lets you pretend to be a dragonfly or damselfly going through their life cycle!

Junior Age Programs

Map & Compass Orienteering

Learn what orienteering is and how to use a map and compass, then find your way to a series of locations.

Environmental Games

This series of games will complement ecological concepts being studied in your group.

Pond, Field and Forest

Collect and identify creatures in all of these three areas! Discover their adaptations and habitat requirements.

BIO: Biodiversity and Interactions in Our Local Environment

Discover basic ecological concepts as we explore aquatic and terrestrial communities to identify and classify a variety of plants and animals. Discover how ecosystem health depends on biodiversity and use authentic field work tools including sweep nets to explore habitats..

Our flexible programming allows us to tailor your visit to what subjects/topics/badges your group is currently working on. Contact us to see how we can help!

Program Fee

- \$8.00/student/program
- \$136 minimum charge for groups with fewer than 16 participants
- No charge for leaders or parent volunteers

For more information or to book a program:

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