# Homeschool Curriculum



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#### Winter Adaptations Red Oaks-Jan. 12, Wint-Jan. 18

How do other animals survive the cold of winter? Come and learn about some cool animal adaptations.

#### Animal Classifications Red Oaks-Feb. 9, Wint-Feb. 15

Learn to classify animals into different groups based on their characteristics.

## Maple Sugaring Red Oaks-March 9, Wint-March 15

Let's get sappy! Learn about the history of maple sugaring, the processes and even tap a sugar maple tree.

#### Bird Migrations Red Oaks-April 13, Wint-April 19

Millions of birds migrate across North America each spring and fall. Their journeys are fascinating but also full of danger. We'll explore how different birds approach migration, what routes they favor, and some of the amazing feats and perils they face along the way.

#### Pinch Pot Pottery Red Oaks-May 11, Wint-May 17

Using just our hands and ancient techniques, we'll fashion a pinch pot out of air-dry clay. Pots will be finished and ready to take home the day of class.

#### Flowers Red Oaks-June 8, Wint-June 14

Let's stop and smell the roses, literally. We'll look at the science of flowers, peek under the petals and learn how flowers help people.

# Hands-on Mammal ID: Pelts & Skulls Red Oaks-July 13, Wint-July 19

Have you ever petted a bobcat? Feel the fur (pelt) of many Michigan mammals, then try to match them with their skulls using what you know and learn about their diets and lifestyles.

#### Aquatic Insects Red Oaks-Aug. 10, Wint- Aug. 16

Giant water bugs, water scorpions, whirligig beetles and water bears, oh my! There is a whole world of activity just below the surface ready for our exploration. Be ready to get your hands wet as we explore these micro- and macro-habitats.

#### Fall Fanatics Red Oaks-Sept. 14, Wint-Sept. 20

Explore the magic of our changing forest and learn how plants and animals are getting ready for winter.

#### Wolves Red Oaks-Oct. 12, Wint-Oct. 18

Be ready for a howling good time while learning about these canids and their elusive ways. We'll discuss their successful reintroduction to Isle Royale with stories, crafts and, of course, howling.

#### Rock On Red Oaks-Nov. 9, Wint- Nov. 15

Let's rock out! We'll use hands-on activities to learn about the three different types of rocks and more.

#### Winter Tree Party Red Oaks-Dec. 14, Wint-Dec. 20

Who is rustling around in the trees during the winter months? Find out how the plants and animals are surviving and adapting during this time.





#### **Essential Information:**

- Each program is adapted for ages 6-9 and 10-13.
- Pre-registration is required; call 248-858-0916 on weekdays during regular business hours. On-site registration is NOT available.
- Sessions run 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and are designed as drop-off programs for youth.
- All students are welcome, whether from a traditional homeschool, pod or virtual learning setting. A release form must be completed with registration. Cost: \$10/session.



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