

Charlie Elliott Wildlife Center

The Outdoor Discovery School

The Outdoor Discovery School (TODS) is a multidisciplinary overnight environmental education experience for grades 4th - 12th offered September – April. The program includes options for courses spanning from several ecology-related disciplines to outdoor skills and recreation and nighttime activities. We offer 2 day, 1 night programs for the cost of \$85 per student or 3 day, 2 night programs for \$130 per student with a minimum of 20 students and maximum of 60 students per group. Students and chaperones are housed in CEWC's Lodge and eat at the Dining Hall during their stay. Let us know your educational needs and we will customize an experience just for your class! Course selections are aligned to current Georgia Standards for Excellence in Science.



Daytime Courses Offered:

GEOLOGY:

Hike along CEWC's Granite Rock Outcrop Trail to explore one of the Piedmont's most interesting geologic features.

GSE Science Standards addressed: S5E1a; S5E1b; S6E5c; S6E5e; S6E5h; SEC3b; SEC3d; SES3a; SG2c; SG5a

FOREST ECOLOGY:

A close-up look at the forest examining the interdependence of flora, fauna and abiotic components found in this ecosystem.

GSE Science Standards addressed: S4L1a; S4L1b; S4L1c; S6E6b; S7L1a; S7L4a; S7L4b; S7L4c; SB5a; SB5b; SB5c; SB5d; SB5e; SEC3a; SEC3b; SEC3c; SEC3d; SEC3e; SEV2d; SEV4a

WHAT'S IN THE WATER?:

Get knee-deep in the investigation of aquatic macroinvertebrates, watersheds, and water quality in multiple aquatic systems.

GSE Science Standards addressed: S4L1c; S5L4a; S5L4b; S6E3a; S6E3b; S6E6b; S7L4b; S7L4c; SB5a; SB5c; SB5d; SB5e; SEC1a; SEC1b; SEC1c; SEC3a; SEC3d; SEC4a; SEV1b; SEV1c; SEV1e; SEV4a; SZ5a

SKINS, SCALES, SKULLS, AND SCATS:

Explore the science behind animal classification and identification of mammals, reptiles, and birds through skins, skulls and animal encounters.

GSE Science Standards addressed: S5L1a; S7L1a; S7L4a; S7L4b; S7L4c; SB5a; SB5c; SB5d; SB5e; SEC1c; SEC5a; SEC5b; SEC5c; SEV1d; SEV4a; SEV4b; SZ4a; SZ5a

BIOBLITZ:

Discover the similarities and differences between what can be found in diverse habitats. It's a race against the clock to identify as many organisms as possible!

GSE Science Standards addressed: S4L1a; S4L1b; S4L1c; S7L1; S7L4a; SB5a; SB5c; SB5d; SB5e; SEC1c; SEC5a; SEC5b; SEV4a; SEV4b; SZ4a; SZ5a

WILDLIFE CONSERVATION MANAGEMENT:

Why do we hunt and fish for some species, but not others? What regulations are in place to protect and conserve both game and non-game species for future generations? Investigate these questions and more throughout this course!

GSE Science Standards addressed: SB5a; SB5c; SB5d; SB5e; SEC2a; SEC2b; SEC3a; SEC3b; SEC3c; SEC3d; SEC3e; SEC5a; SEC5b; SEC5c; SEC5d; SEV4a; SZ5b; SZBc

RECREATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES OFFERED:

Archery, Fishing, Canoeing, and Low Ropes Team Building

Nighttime Activities Offered

ASTRONOMY:

Enjoy a stellar star-gazing program and discussion provided by the Charlie Elliott Astronomy Club.

GSE Science Standards addressed: S4E1b; S4E1d; S6E2a; S6E2b; SAST2a; SAST2b; SES1a

OWL PROWL:

Learn about what makes some of our late-night feathered friends unique, then go on a night hike to try and call one!

GSE Science Standards addressed: S5L1a; S7L1a; S7L4a; S7L4c; SB5c; SB5d; SB5e; SEV1b; SEV4a; SEV4b; SZ4a; SZ5a

SENSORY NIGHT HIKE:

Take a hike on one of the CEWC education trails at night to discover some of the nocturnal species found all around us.

GSE Science Standards addressed: S5L1a; S7L1a; S7L4a; S7L4c; SB5c; SB5d; SB5e; SEC3a; SEC3c; SEC3d; SEV4a; SZ4a; SZ5a

CAMPFIRE:

Enjoy s'mores, skits, songs, and more around the fire pit! (Can be led by CEWC if needed) Free-time

For more information or to register:

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*Inclement weather options need to be considered in case some of the outdoor activities cannot happen on the scheduled date.

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The format of our overnight field trip programs generally follows these schedules, depending on which program type is selected.



2 Day, 1 Night Program Schedule

DAY 1:

- Arrival
- Introduction Activities
- Lunch
- Day Course 1

NIGHT 1:

- Dinner
- Night Course

DAY 2:

- Breakfast
- Day Course 2
- Lunch

“Joy in looking and comprehending is nature’s most beautiful gift.”

-Albert Einstein



3 Day, 2 Night Program Schedule

DAY 1:

- Arrival
- Introduction Activities
- Lunch
- Day Course 1

NIGHT 1:

- Dinner
- Night Course 1

DAY 2:

- Breakfast
- Day Course 2
- Lunch
- Day Course 3

NIGHT 2:

- Dinner
- Night Course 2

DAY 3:

- Breakfast
- Day Course 4
- Lunch

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