



ELC

Red Wing Environmental Learning Center

Spring 2024

The ELC is looking to add TWO amazing people to our team.

Are you passionate about the outdoors? Eager to inspire young minds while enjoying beautiful landscapes? The ELC is seeking 2 enthusiastic individuals for Field Instructor positions (1 Full Time, 1 Seasonal).

Why Apply?

- Make a difference in students' lives
- Chart your own professional journey
- Lead, educate, and guide through enriching outdoor experiences
- Flexibility in work hours
- No formal outdoor education degree required

Who We're Looking For:

- Genuine enthusiasm for the outdoors
- Diverse life experiences
- Outdoor skills
- Safety minded
- Desire to inspire young minds

Perks:

- Breathtaking outdoor work environments
- Engage and mentor diverse students
- Flexible work hours
- Opportunity for professional growth
- Be part of a supportive and dynamic team

Spread the Word!

Know someone perfect for this role? Share this opportunity!

We welcome applicants from all backgrounds. Your support is invaluable in finding the ideal candidates to continue our legacy of excellence.

Apply or share today and let's inspire a new generation of outdoor enthusiasts and lifelong learners! Thank you for your ongoing support and dedication to Red Wing ELC.



[SEASONAL FIELD INSTRUCTOR](#)

[FULL TIME FIELD INSTRUCTOR](#)



Sign up online for spring programs
on the ELC Website

www.redwingelc.com

Click on Current Students tab.

Place your program requests in order of preference.

Registration deadline: February 15, 2024

after February 15th you will be placed on the waiting
list.

Financial assistance is available.

Fill out the online application on
the ELC Website

www.redwingelc.com under the
students tab or [Click here..](#)

ENTRY LEVEL PROGRAMS

Dress for the weather for all ELC programs

Entry Level programs are one day activities that allow students to try a program and be introduced to interesting natural environments in the Red Wing area.

EXPLORE THE BLUFF LANDS

Fee: \$25.00

Minimum Age: 6th Grade

Requirement for 6th and 7th graders

Bushwhack up and down the coulees and follow the spectacular limestone cliff edge as close as possible.

This challenging day offers outstanding scenic view high above Lake Pepin, eye level observations of turkey vultures and eagles,.



Group 1	Group 2
May 7	May 15
4:00 pm-8:00 pm	4:00 pm-8:00 pm

EXPLORE AND CAMPING SKILLS

Required for 6th and 7th graders (must take at least once)

Min Age: Grade 6

Fee: \$55

Learn the secrets of ELC survival. Pack up for a hike into the woods where you will set up a tent and build a fire. After cooking your own delicious dinner, you will tell stories under the stars and crawl into your sleeping bag for a sweet spring evening of slumber.

Activity/ Time	Date
Orientation/Skills 4:00-5:30 pm	April 9
Overnight 4:00 pm - 12:00 pm	April 12-13



ELECTIVES

FISHING ROD CONSTRUCTION STUDENT AND ADULT MINIMUM AGE 6TH grade

Student Fee: \$90

Adult Fee:

Varies Depending upon blank and handle selection

This program will introduce the student to the art of building a fishing rod. Each student will make their own fishing rod with the help of DLF Custom Fishing Rods of Rochester Minnesota. DLF is owned and operated by Dan Fryer, a member of the Custom Rod Builders Guild. Dan, a certified professional rod builder will assist each student in building a rod, starting with a blank and adding thread, creating thread art and will be certain that each rod is as individual as the student. .

Adults Welcome!

Times	Date
4:00-6:00 pm	March 4-6
4:00-6:0 pm	March 11-15

SPIN FISHING

Minimum age: 6th Grade

Fee: \$25

This program features an introduction to spin fishing and some casting competition for accuracy. It also includes a fishing outing to a local area. Learn how to clean and cook your catch. If 16 years or older, you will be required to purchase a Minnesota fishing license.

Group 1	Group 2
May 16	May 17
4:00-7:30 pm	4:00-7:30 pm

Financial Assistance is available. Please contact laura@redwingelc.com ELC has funds available for financial assistance or payment plans can be worked out. **Getting kids in the woods is our top priority!**

ELECTIVES

Watch for Whitewater Kayaking/Rafting In June!

BOW FISHING

Minimum Age: 8th grade

Fee: \$25

Experience the thrill of bow fishing! Join us for an evening paddle in the backwaters, where you'll face the challenge of targeting carp. Sharpen your archery skills while surrounded by the serene beauty of nature. Don't miss out on this unique blend of adventure and tranquility – sign up now!



FLOODWATER PADDLE

Fee: \$30.00

Prerequisite: Canoe I

The spring floods provide a wonderful opportunity to explore and experience the Cannon Bottoms in the flooded state. There are many opportunities to observe various wildlife adapting to floods.

Activity/Time	Group 1	Group 2
Bow Fishing 4:00-8:00 pm	May 13	May 16

Group 1	Group 2
May 4	May 25
9:00 am- 3:00 pm	9:00 am- 3:00 pm

EARTH DAY ADVENTURE

Minimum Age: 6th Grade

Fee: \$25/Day

Our planet is an amazing place, but it needs our help to thrive! That's why each year on April 22, more than a billion people celebrate Earth Day to protect the planet from things like pollution and deforestation. By taking part in activities like picking up litter, planting trees or going for a hike and enjoying the world, we're making our world a happier, healthier place to live. So, get ready for the ultimate Earth Day Adventure! **Join this mystery program** that will unfold over three heart-pounding days, filled with secret challenges, hidden wonders, and surprises at every turn. This isn't your average program; Sign up for the excitement, the mystery, which is sure to be an unforgettable three-day journey! Each day will be a unique experience so you can sign up for one day or all three!

Activity/Time	Group 1	Group 2	Group 3
Mystery Day 4:00-7:00pm	April 22	April 23	April 24



FLOODWATER CANOE CAMPING

Fee: \$55.00

Prerequisite: Canoeing I

This course was brought back as an ELC classic but has proved to be so much fun that we have added it again. The spring floods provide a wonderful opportunity to explore and experience the Cannon Bottoms in the flooded state. We turn the canoes into floating platforms on which we cook and sleep. There are many opportunities to observe various wildlife adapting to floods.



Activity/ Time	Date
Orientation: 4:00-5:30 pm	May 14
Trip: Leave 12:00 pm Return 12:00 pm	May 17- May 18

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Tiny Trees Programs for 2nd and 3rd graders

TINY TREES: ORIENTEERING AND SURVIVAL SKILLS

Fee: \$15

Learn how to use a compass to navigate. Hike through the woods after learning how to navigate and learn other survival skills along the way. Students may practice making rope, fire building, and making shelters depending on time. Pick a group:

Group 1	Group 2
March 9	March 9
9:00 am-12:00 pm	12:30 pm-3:30 pm

TINY TREES: SPRING SCAVENGER HUNT

Fee: \$15

As the snow continues to melt away, nature reveals all kinds of treasures left during the winter months. Participants will explore near Hay Creek Trail, where participants may find sheds, feathers, and other treasures that nature has left for them to find. Join us for this exciting and fun hike!

Pick a group:

Group 1	Group 2
April 6	April 6
9:00 am-12:00 pm	12:30 pm-3:30 pm

TINY TREES: MIGRATION MADNESS

Fee: \$15

Spring is a time of lots of animal migration and activity. Students will learn skills to identify, track and look for animals. Spring is the perfect time to find reptiles, amphibians, birds, mammals, as well as insects and wildflowers. As we explore, we will play games to learn more about animal behavior. Students will compete in teams to see how many different organisms they can find. Pick a group:

Group 1	Group 2
May 4	May 4
9:00 am-12:00 pm	12:30 pm-3:30 pm



Young Explorers Programs for 4th and 5th graders

YOUNG EXPLORER: MIGRATION MADNESS

Fee: \$15

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Pick a group:

Group 1	Group 2
May 18	May 18
9:00 am-12:00 pm	12:30-3:30 pm

YOUNG EXPLORER: ORIENTEERING AND SURVIVAL SKILLS

Fee: \$15

Learn how to use a compass to navigate. Hike through the woods after learning how to navigate and learn other survival skills along the way. Students may practice making rope, fire building, and making shelters depending on time. Pick a group:

Group 1	Group 2
March 23	March 23
9:00 am-12:00 pm	12:30-3:30 pm

YOUNG EXPLORER: BIO BLITZ

Fee: \$15

As Spring arrives new creatures and plants begin to emerge. Students will explore the woods competing to see how many species they can identify and spot. We will also play games learning about the different species that call Minnesota home. Pick a group:

Group 1	Group 2
April 20	April 20
9:00 am-12:00 pm	12:30-3:30 pm





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Thank you for your support!



“Spring is when you feel like whistling even with a shoe full of slush. ~Doug Larson