

# RED WING ENVIRONMENTAL LEARNING CENTER

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# **ELC Fall Signup**

**DEADLINE: August 15th** 

# Sign up online

Click "Current Students" to find the online registration form at

#### www.redwingelc.com

After the 15th, you will be placed on a waiting list.

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- August 15: Sign up Deadline
- August 18: ELC Community Pizza night 6-7:30 pm
- October 8: ELC Fall Celebration
- October 13: Bluff Color Fest www.bluffcolorfest.com
- November 15: Give to the Max Day

# New in 2019!

Red Wing ELC is excited to introduce sailing as a core program for summer 2019.

It is always our goal to help students understand and appreciate our local resources, and living near Lake Pepin and Lake Superior, provides us two great places to teach the skills associated with sailing. So, next summer you will see Sailing I and II as programs in the newsletter. This year we were able to secure a number of donations that have helped make this program a reality. We want to thank the following people and businesses for their support of this new and exciting program.

Nancy Fawthorp - Pride 270 Sailboat

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# Financial Assistance is Available for All Programs

## **ENTRY LEVEL PROGRAMS**

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

#### EXPLORE AND CAMPING SKILLS

Required for 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> graders (must take once)

Min Age: Grade 6

Fee: \$40

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 fall evening of slumber.

#### **Choose one Group:**

Activity	Group 1	Group 2
Orientation/Skills	August 28 12- 3 pm	September 18 3:30-6:30 pm
Overnight	August 29- 30 4 pm -12 pm	September 21- 22 4 pm -12 pm





## **CORE PROGRAMS**

#### PIONEERING I – HAY CREEK CABIN

Minimum Age: 6th grade

Fee: 50.00

Live like those who first arrived in Minnesota by taking on the pioneering life. You will stay in a log cabin built by students who came before you. As you learn the survival skills of a pioneer, you will split wood, cook over a fire, maintain the trails, and play games.

Activity	Group 1
Orientation: 3:30-6:00 pm	November 6
Overnight Leave: 4 pm Return: 1 pm	November 9 November 10





#### **BACKPACKING I**

**Prerequisite: Explore and Camping** 

NOTE: Backpacking I is highly recommended for Winter

Camping I.

Min Age: 6th grade 8th grade and above no prerequisite

Fee: \$60.00

This is a two day backpacking trip through the Tiffany Wildlife area, near Pepin, WI. Students will be introduced to general backpacking, camping and outdoor cookery. Students will learn to identify wildlife, food planning and orienteering with a map and a compass Pick a group:

Activity	Group 1	Group 2
Orientation/Skills 3:30-6:30 pm	September 18	October 2
Trip: Leave: 3:30 pm Return: 2:00 pm	September 21 - September 22	October 5- October 6

# **CORE PROGRAMS**

#### PIONEERING II-NORTH SHORE CABIN

Minimum Age: 7th grade

Fee: \$100.00

This is an extension of the Pioneering program. Students will take a trip to the cabin in Two Harbors. Learning pioneering skills while making improvements to the cabin.

Activity / Times	Date	
Orientation/Skills: 3:30-5:30 pm	October 15	
Trip: Leave 9:00 am Return 6:00 pm	October 18 October 21	





#### **BACKPACKING LEVEL II**

Backpacking I is a prerequisite for 7<sup>th</sup> graders No prerequisite for 8<sup>th</sup> grade and above

Fee: \$100.00

Grab your gear for a fall backpacking trip to the Rainbow Wilderness Area. Over three days, we will hike among the changing trees of Wisconsin. Along the way we will practice outdoor cookery, securing safe water, proper clothing selection, wildlife observation, navigation with map and compass, and low impact camping.

#### BACKPACKING LEVEL III Minimum Age: 8<sup>th</sup> grade Prerequisite: Backpacking II

Fee: \$200

Get ready to go north! Hiking in the Porcupine Mountains in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan for a six-day adventure, you will not be disappointed by the beautiful scenery and nuances of the north. Be prepared to use your camping skills, exchange many enthusiastic high fives, and enjoy a wonderful autumn backpacking trip.

Activity / Times	Group 1
Orientation/Skills: 3:30 – 5:00 pm	October 9
Trip: Leave 7:00 am– Return 6:00 pm	October 16*-21
Potluck, stories and slideshow wrap up with family and or friends. 6:00-7:30 pm	October 22

Sign up for your favorite programs a second time! First timers will be given preference

Activity / Times	Group 1
Orientation/Skills: 3:30 – 5:30 pm	October 29
Trip: Leave 8:00 am– Return 4:00 pm	November 3- November 5
Potluck, stories and slideshow wrap up with family and or friends. 6:00-7:30 pm	November 8



Financial assistance is available. Click here to fill out online application.

#### **ELECTIVES**

#### **BOW HUNT**

Prerequisite: Basic Archery and Firearm safety Fee: \$125

This program will be run in the Tiffany Wildlife Area. We will base out of a wall tent. Students will learn stand placement, shot placement, scent control, tracking and processing. The ELC will provide a bow if needed.

Activity/Time	Date/
Orientation and Scouting 8 am – 4 pm	October 13
Hunting: 3:30 pm Until done	October 17- October 21
Deer Butchering 6-8 pm	October 23
Wrap up 6-7:30	October 25



#### **RWHS SUSTAINABILITY CLUB**

Minimum age: 8th grade

Curious about renewable energy, climate change, environmental issues, and maintaining current well-being for future generations (aka sustainability)? Join the club! Come check us out at our first meeting of the year on Wednesday, September 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:30am in the Studio room next

to the library. There is no activity fee.



#### YOUTH WATERFOWL HUNT

12-15 years old with firearm safety certificates can participate. Parent is welcome to join.

Fee: \$30.00

We will do firearm safety and trap shooting during the orientation. We will spend the evening of the September 7<sup>th</sup> camping at the Red Wing Wildlife League Cabin. Saturday we will hunt with adult volunteers.

Activity/Time	Date
Orientation/ Skills 3:30- 6:30 pm	September 5
Overnight: 6:00 pm- 12:00 pm	September 7- September 8

#### YOUNG WOMEN IN THE WOODS- MOUNTAIN BIKING

Minimum Age: 7th Grade

Fee: \$30

An opportunity to try out mountain biking in a safe, fun environment with your friends! We will practice the basics of mountain biking, test out the new green trail and check out the blue trail on Memorial. Then we will go for an evening to one of the many mountain bike trails near the cities.

Activity/Time	Date/Times
Bike Memorial	October 2 4:00-5:30
Bike Memorial	October 3 4:00:- 5:30
Bike	October 4 3:30-8:00 pm

## YOUNG EXPLORERS PROGRAMS: GRADES 4<sup>TH</sup> AND 5<sup>TH</sup>

#### **OUTDOOR PHOTOGRAPHY Grade 4-5**

Fee: \$15

Participants will be introduced to the basics of outdoor photography, and then we will head out and start taking pictures! Working in teams we will try using the skills we have learned and at the end of the evening we will create a slideshow to be shared with family when they come to pick up the students. Come take some pictures and see how much fun photography can be!

Pick a date:

Group 1	Group 2	Group 3	Group 4
October 16	October 24	October 30	November 1
3:30-5:30	3:30-5:30	3:30-5:30	3:30-5:30



## YE COON HILL

Fee: \$15

It's time to search for nature's treasures. Check out Coon Hill, a bluff oasis right in town, and see what you can find!

Pick a date:

Group 1	Group 2	Group 3	Group 4
November 6	November 8	November 12	November 13
3:30-5:30	3:30-5:30	3:30-5:30	3:30-5:30

#### YE: GOPHER TRAPPING

Fee: \$15

We will be studying the Pocket Gopher and its habitat. In the farming culture, the gopher's mounds lead to broken equipment on farms and thus we will trap the gophers. Pick a date:

Group 1	Group 2	Group 3	Group 4
October 23	October 24	October 25	October 26
3:30-5:30	3:30-5:30	3:30-5:30	3:30-5:30





## TINY TREES PROGRAMS: GRADES 2<sup>ND</sup> AND 3<sup>RD</sup>

#### FALL SCAVENGER HUNT

Fee: \$15

Come learn about and experience a season that the Midwest is fortunate to have: Autumn. We will go on a scavenger hunt, collecting many signs of fall that you can see daily and some that you may not have known about! Pick a group:

Group 1	Group 2
September 29	September 29
10:00-12:00	12;30-2:30



#### LEAVES OF FUN

Fee: \$15

Become a tree expert as you learn about each tree's unique traits and make leaf rubbings for your future reference! Pick a group:

Group 1	Group 2
October 6	October 6
10:00-12:00	12;30-2:30

# Thank you for your financial support and volunteer time! $_{\rm July\,1,\,2016\text{-}June\,30,\,2017}$

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#### Thank you Jr. Instructors!

Each fall the ELC says goodbye to a group of Instructor Naturalists and hello to the new group. Without these young people's enthusiasm and dedication, we would be hard pressed to accomplish the programs that we do.

The 2016-2017 graduate group just returned from their sailing expedition on the Desolation Sound, British Columbia, Canada,. The expedition members include Katina Gehn, Davyd Tennis, Casey Witts, Ellie Schlangen with instructors Brad Nagel and Chris Warrington and Andy Peterson..

The 2017-2018 group is finishing up this summer with programming and then will dig into planning and preparing for their expedition. This group includes Easton Brown,

Abe De Jong, Jayden Jech, Caleb Malyon, Willa Nagel, Drake Zibble and Emma Zibble.

We would like to welcome the incoming 2018-2019 group of Junior Instructors. This group includes: Nick Bayley, Rylan Clark, Eva Engberg, Zachary Hofius, Bryce Lunde, Anthony Mason, Parker Nelson, Isabell Schlangen, and Carter Smith.

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