

# RED WING ENVIRONMENTAL LEARNING CENTER

# Volume 2022 Number 3

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Min Age: Grade 6

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# YE: BB GUN SAFETY AND SHOOTING COMPETITION AT HAY CREEK CABIN

Fee: \$ 10.00

Enjoy an evening of BB gun shooting and safety Instruction. Students will the learn the importance of gun safety, shooting stance and practice on targets.

Group 1	Group 2	Group 3	Group 4
October 24	October 25	October 26	October 27
4:00-6:30 pm	4:00-6:30 pm	4:00-6:30 pm	4:00-6:30 pm

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

# TINY TREES: INSECT SAFARI

Fee: \$10

Students will explore the world of insects hiking and looking for our critter friends. From catching butterflies to finding worms we will look high and low for all kinds of insects and invertebrates. Learn how to look at insects in a whole new way on this adventure.

Group 1	Group 2
September 10	September 10
10-12	12:30-2:30

# **TINY TREES: FOREST GAMES**

Fee: \$10

Come explore the forest ecosystem. We will hike and play games to learn about the plants and animals that call our forest home. Get ready to compete to see who knows our forest and look for new discoveries.

Group 1	Group 2	
September 24	September 24	
10-12	12:30-2:30	

# **TINY TREES: NATURE SCAVENGER HUNT**

Fee: \$10

Hike through the woods in a quest to win our nature scavenger hunt. See how well you know our woods and if you can spot everything on our list. Learn about where plants, animals, and fungi can be found as we hike in the quest to complete the

scavenger hunt.

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October 8	October 8	
10-12	12:30-2:30	

# TINY TREES: ECO ART

\$10

Do you love making art and being inspired outside? Then this program is for you! Learn about different types of eco art and get inspired to make your own. We will collect materials to create our works of art and be inspired by the woods around us.

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10-12	12:30-2:30

# Thank you for your donations!

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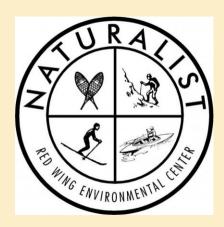
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# YE: BB GUN SAFETY AND SHOOTING COMPETITION AT HAY CREEK CABIN

Fee: \$ 10.00

Enjoy an evening of BB gun shooting and safety Instruction. Students will the learn the importance of gun safety, shooting stance and practice on targets.

Group 1	Group 2	Group 3	Group 4
October 24	October 25	October 26	October 27
4:00-6:30 pm	4:00-6:30 pm	4:00-6:30 pm	4:00-6:30 pm

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

# TINY TREES: INSECT SAFARI

Fee: \$10

Students will explore the world of insects hiking and looking for our critter friends. From catching butterflies to finding worms we will look high and low for all kinds of insects and invertebrates. Learn how to look at insects in a whole new way on this adventure.

Group 1	Group 2
September 10	September 10
10-12	12:30-2:30

# **TINY TREES: FOREST GAMES**

Fee: \$10

Come explore the forest ecosystem. We will hike and play games to learn about the plants and animals that call our forest home. Get ready to compete to see who knows our forest and look for new discoveries.

Group 1	Group 2
September 24	September 24
10-12	12:30-2:30

# **TINY TREES: NATURE SCAVENGER HUNT**

Fee: \$10

Hike through the woods in a quest to win our nature scavenger hunt. See how well you know our woods and if you can spot everything on our list. Learn about where plants, animals, and fungi can be found as we hike in the quest to complete the

scavenger hunt.

Group 1	Group 2
October 8	October 8
10-12	12:30-2:30

# TINY TREES: ECO ART

\$10

Do you love making art and being inspired outside? Then this program is for you! Learn about different types of eco art and get inspired to make your own. We will collect materials to create our works of art and be inspired by the woods around us.

Group 1	Group 2
October 15	October 15
10-12	12:30-2:30

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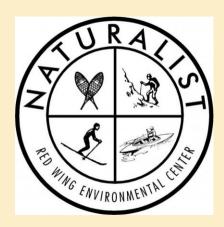
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