



ELC

RED WING ENVIRONMENTAL LEARNING CENTER

Summer 2020

Brad is celebrating 20 years with the ELC!!!

In July of 2000- Brad joined the ELC as a full time Field Instructor, but his time and tenure go back much further than just 20 years. Brad grew up in the ELC program as a student, Junior Instructor, part time and full time Field Instructor. Brad has been involved in outdoor education either as a participant or as a leader for the last 42 years! Brad has been an invaluable part of the ELC as the program has grown and evolved over the years. His passion for being outdoors and working with kids is simply amazing. Brad brings so much to the ELC and the students that are involved, and he is greatly respected by all. Please help us congratulate and thank Brad for 20 years of amazing adventures and experiences in the outdoors, by dropping him a note or sending him an email expressing the impact he has had on you or your children.



Brad's email is rwelcbrad@gmail.com and cards can be sent to Brad's attention here at the ELC. Don't be surprised if he doesn't answer you right away- he is probably in the field with students sharing his passion and knowledge. But let's make sure Brad understands how much he means to the families of the ELC and how thankful we all are. THANK YOU Brad for your outstanding work and 20 years of adventures with the ELC!

Financial Assistance is Available.

The online application is available at www.redwingelc.com

Sign up online at
www.redwingelc.com
under the students tab.
Sign up deadline is
July 2nd at 7 am
Sign ups after July 2nd will be
put on a wait list for full
programs.

ENTRY LEVEL PROGRAMS

Annual medical form required at time of sign up.

<https://sign.signority.com/Ui/signRegister.html?iid=3efb5c4a-77f3-454e-b92b-d26b1a4219d3>

Entry Level Programs are one day activities that let students try an activity and be introduced to the natural areas in the Red Wing region.

EXPLORE HAY CREEK

Min Age: entering 6th Grade

Fee: \$15

Required for 6th and 7th graders (taken once in the 2years)

Hay Creek is a clear, beautiful stream, perfect for a refreshing swim in the heat of the summer. Search for critters, learn the local flora, and experience a Minnesota stream ecosystem.

Meet and pick up will be at Hay Creek cabin parking lot.

Directions will be given with the schedule

Pick a group:



Group 1	Group 2	Group 3
July 21	July 23	July 28
11 am -2 pm	11 am- 2 pm	11 am- 2 pm

EXPLORE CANOEING

Min Age: entering 6th Grade

Fee: \$20.00

Hop in a true Minnesotan boat, the canoe, and explore the backwaters of the Mississippi River. Practice paddling, steering, and communicating with your canoe buddy and explore the diverse river ecosystem.

Dates: (Choose one)

Group 1	Group 2	Group 3
July 24 th	July 29	August 25
9 am-3 pm	9 am-3 pm	9 am-3 pm

EXPLORE BIKE TOURING

Min Age: entering 6th Grade

Fee: \$20.00

Take on the world on two wheels, under your own human power. Go for a bike ride with the ELC for the day while learning basic bike safety and enjoying the beautiful local bike routes.

Dates: (choose one)

Group 1	Group 2
July 22	July 30
9 am-3 pm	9 am-3 pm



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CORE PROGRAMS

MOUNTAIN BIKING I

Minimum Age: 7th grade

Prerequisite for 7th grader: Explore Bike Touring

8th grade and above: no prerequisite

Fee: \$60.00

This program will explore the best of what Red Wing has to offer for mountain biking as well as exploring some new trails in the surrounding area. We will focus the first day on local trails and backroads. The second two days will be biking with an overnight.

Students will need their own mountain bike and helmet.

Activity/Times	Group 1	Group2
Orientation/Skills 9:00am – 3:00pm Meet: Memorial Park Pick up: ELC	July 28	August 25
Trip: 9:00 am – 3:00 pm Meet: Hay Creek Cabin Pick up: Hay Creek Cabin	July 29-30	August 26-27

CANOEING I

Prerequisite : Explore Canoeing

8th grade and above: no prerequisite

Fee: \$60.00

It's time to pack the canoe for an overnight excursion along the Red Cedar and Chippewa River in Wisconsin. Prior to the overnight, you will spend time improving your steering skills, learning how to waterproof your gear for the boat, and searching for wildlife on the Vermillion and Mississippi rivers.

Activity/Times	Group 1
Orientation/Skills 9:00am – 3:00pm	July 14
Trip :Leave 9:00am Return 3:00pm	July 15-16

SEA KAYAKING I

Minimum Age: 7th Grade

Fee: \$60.00

Time to pack the hatches, tuck in the skirts, and grab a paddle for a trip down the backwaters and tributaries of the Mississippi River. Learn the basics of sea kayaking and spend a night on a beach along the river.

Activity / Times	Group 1
Orientation/Skills: 9:00am - 3:00pm Drop off Bay Point: Pick up: Bay City	July 8
Trip Leave: 9:00am Return: 2:00pm Drop off: Canoe Launch Prairie Island Pick up Bay Point	July 9-10

BIKE TOURING II

Minimum Age: 8th Grade

Fee: \$100.00

You will spend time learning how to tune your bike in preparation for a three day trip along Lake Pepin touring towns along the way. Bike and Rack needed

Activity/Times	Group 1
Orientation/Skills 9:00am – 3:00pm Meet and Pick up: ELC	August 18
Trip :Leave 9:00am Return 3:00pm Meet: Hager Heights Pick up: ELC	August 19-21
Wrap up	August 24

Are you an 8th -12th grader and would like to try ELC for the first time ?

Its not too late!

Call Laura Schmidt 388-7339 for 8th-12th grade for program placement.

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CORE PROGRAMS

CANOEING II

Prerequisite: Canoeing I

Fee: \$100.00

Spend a day paddling local rivers and planning for a three day, two night trip on the Zumbro River. We will explore the best of what's around with fishing, camping and fun on the river.



Activity / Times	Dates
Orientation/Skills: 9:00am - 3:00pm Drop off: Prairie Island boat landing Pick up: Baypoint	August 4
Trip Leave: 8:00am – Return: 4:00pm Meet: ELC and caravan Pick up: Kellog Zumbro River (directions will be given with schedule)	August 5- August 7
Wrap-up/Potluck for parents & participants: 6-7:30	August 10

BIG ADVENTURE CANOEING III

Prerequisite: Canoeing I and II

Fee: \$200

We will start in Hayward WI and paddle the Namekagon to the St Croix to the Mississippi and home (approximately 200 miles).

We will set aside two weeks to complete the adventure. There are three portages around the dams. While fishing, paddling and camping, we will explore the St Croix waterway through the interior of Wisconsin.



Activity	Dates
Orientation/Skills: 9:00 am – 3:00 pm Meet: Colvill upper landing Pick up Bay City	August 5
Trip: 11:00 am 6:00 pm Meet: Hayward Pick up: Bay Point Directions will be on schedule	August 8-23
Wrap up / Potluck Supper 6:-7:30 pm	September 11

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ELECTIVES

SAILING

Fee: \$20

Minimum Age: 6th grade

Join us for a day of sailing on the beautiful Lake Pepin on the ELC 27 foot Tarton sailboat. You will bring a bag lunch and swim in a quiet bay.

Pick your group:

Group 1	Group 2	Group 3
July 13	July 16	August 12
10:00 am -3:00 pm Meet and pick up: Hanson Harbor. 35853 HWY 61 BLVD, Lake City The boat is located on the last dock on the left	10:00 am -3:00 pm Meet and pick up: Hanson Harbor. 35853 HWY 61 BLVD, Lake City The boat is located on the last dock on the left	10:00 am -3:00 pm Meet and pick up: Hanson Harbor. 35853 HWY 61 BLVD, Lake City The boat is located on the last dock on the left

CATFISHING

Minimum age: 7th grade

Fee: \$20

We will canoe down to Red Wing Wildlife League beach where we will camp and fish for Flathead Catfish.

Times	Group 1
3:00 pm – 10:00 am Meet: Vermillion Landing Pick up: Bay Point: Directions will be given with schedule.	July 6- July 7

YOUNG EXPLORER PROGRAMS

Entering 4th-5th Grade

Sign up online at www.redwingelc.com under the students tab.

Sign up deadline is July 2nd at 7:00 am

After July 2nd, you will be put on a wait list.

YOUNG EXPLORERS: FIRE BUILDING AND OUTDOOR COOKERY

MEET AND PICK UP HOK SI LA

Fee: \$15.00

Join us as we head to the beach to enjoy time cooking some new and different recipes and rinse off by swimming in Lake Pepin.

Pick a date:

Group 1	Group 2	Group 3	Group 4
July 20	July 20	July 29	July 29
10- 12	12:30-2:30	10-12	12:30-2:30

YOUNG EXPLORERS: CREEKING

MEET AND PICK UP HAY CREEK CABIN PARKING AREA

Fee: \$15

Beat the heat with a day of tubing on a local river. Relax, play, and swim as you wind down the river through the beautiful Hay Creek Valley.

Meet and Pick up at Hay Creek Cabin Parking area

Pick a date:

Group 1	Group 2	Group 3	Group 4
August 4	August 4	August 6	August 6
10-12d	12:30-2:30	10-12	12:30-2:30

YOUNG EXPLORERS: ORIENTEERING/ GPS

Fee: \$15.00

MEET AND PICK UP MEMORIAL

Have you ever wondered how to use a map and compass or how a GPS unit works? This ELC program will introduce you to the skill of orienteering (using a map and compass) and how to found your way should you ever get lost. These are great ELC skills to have and practice as you continue to take programs and venture out into the woods. So come with us and get yourself turned around and then we will find our way out, it is sure to be a GREAT adventure.

Pick a date:

Group 1	Group 2	Group 3	Group 4
July 8	July 8	July 9	July 9
10-12	12:30-2:30	10-12	12:30-2:30



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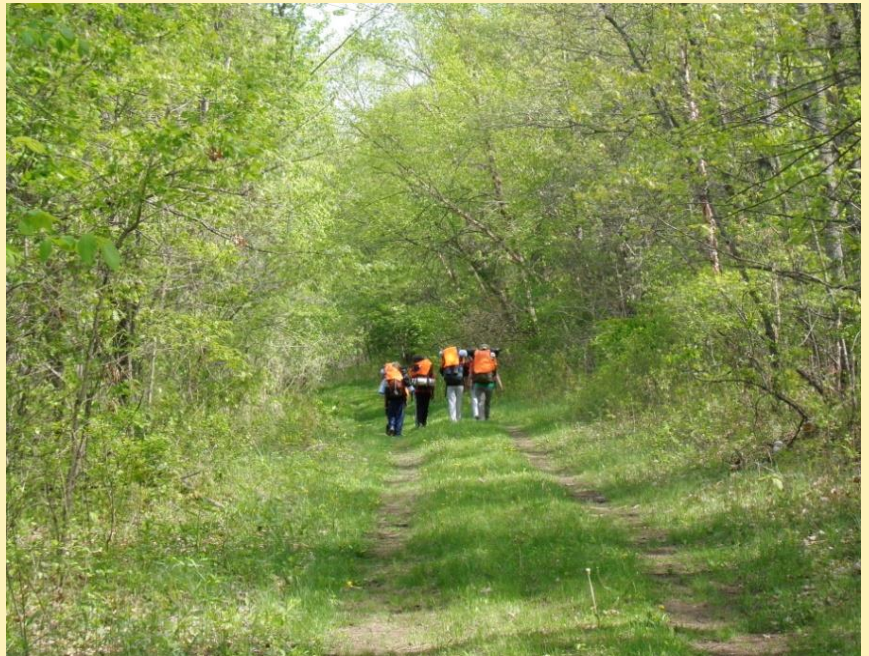
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“Two roads diverged in a wood, and I – I took the one less traveled by, and that has made all the difference.” Robert Frost