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## Pre-K & Up

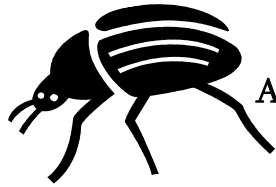
**Insect Exploration:** ◆ In this LIVE program, learn about the physical characteristics of insects and their relatives with an interactive Power Point presentation. Then finish by meeting unusual live invertebrates that call the Great Swamp OEC home.

**Whose Home?:** ◆ Compare and contrast forest, meadow, swamp, marsh, and pond habitats in this pre-recorded presentation. Discover the characteristics of habitats that all animals, plants, and even humans need to survive.

**Is It Alive?** ◆ How can we tell if something is living or not? Discover the answers in this LIVE program featuring an interactive Power Point presentation. Students will expose their own misconceptions about what is living and then determine if a given thing is living or not based on their new definition. They'll even meet a live animal!

**Monarch Madness:** ◆ The life and migration of the Monarch butterfly is an incredible natural spectacle. Travel through life cycle stations from egg to adult, act out the migratory journey, and learn amazing facts through an interactive PowerPoint presentation.

**Live Animal Visit:** ◆ Our naturalist brings a variety of live creatures to see up close and even touch! This program can be adapted to focus on native vs. non-native animals, adaptations, endangered and threatened species, vertebrates vs. invertebrates.



## Grades 3 & Up

**Amazing Adaptations:** ◆ How do animals avoid predators on the prowl, attract the best mates, and survive the winter cold? Learn about the amazing physical and behavioral adaptations that help wildlife survive LIVE with an interactive Power Point presentation and a close up look at taxidermy specimens.

**Owl Pellet Exploration:** ◆ After an introduction to the amazing adaptations of New Jersey's owls using feathers, taxidermy mounts, and other artifacts, pairs dissect owl pellets to reconstruct the skeletons of their prey. *Additional \$30 materials fee per program.*

**Skulls and Bones:** Learn how animals' teeth are adapted to their diets by examining the ways humans use their teeth. Discover how form follows function by comparing human bones to those of NJ animals and identifying real wildlife skulls.

**Tree-mendous:** You already know that trees provide shade and oxygen, but they do *so much* more! Discover unexpected things we use that come from trees, how the tree's parts work to make food from sunlight, and more amazing facts with touchable artifacts and hands-on activities.



**Nature's Mysteries:** Examine a variety of real and mysterious natural objects collected in New Jersey, and awaken excitement and curiosity about nature in students of any age. Are they animal, vegetable, or mineral? How do they fit into the natural world? Students make accurate observations, draw conclusions, and evaluate evidence as they try to discover the origins of these mysterious nature artifacts.

**Artifacts of the Lenape:** ◆ In this pre-recorded program, explore the culture of the Lenape Indians of New Jersey with an emphasis placed on the importance of the natural world in their daily existence. Tour a model wigwam decorated as if it's still lived in.

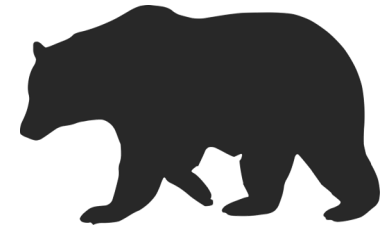
**Maple Sugaring:** ◆ How is sweet maple syrup made from tree sap? See the process from start to finish with an interactive PowerPoint presentation and touchable artifacts. *Want to tap trees at your location? From January to March, for an additional fee of \$50, we will tap up to 5 maple trees on your property in front of your group! (Maximum 60 participants) Spiles are also available for purchase.*



## Assembly Programs

**Be Bear Aware:** ◆ Black bears are an important part of our natural world, and all New Jersey residents should know how to react if they encounter one of these amazing mammals. An interactive multimedia presentation, touchable artifacts, and a fun simulation activity help participants to better understand black bear history, adaptations, life cycle, diet, and needs.

**NEW! Bear Aware 2.0:** ◆ Totally different presentation for schools that have had "Be Bear Aware" but want to reinforce the topic.



**Wild in NJ!** ◆ Learn some amazing facts about the wildlife that call New Jersey home! Did you know that there is a venomous mammal in NJ, for example? This multimedia presentation features audience participation, a PowerPoint slideshow, wildlife artifacts, and a visit from a live NJ animal.

**Endangered in NJ!** ◆ Some of NJ's fantastic animals and plants are disappearing! Learn the reasons for this phenomena and ways to help bring these species back from the brink. This program features an multimedia presentation, touchable artifacts, audience participation, and a visit from a live NJ endangered species.



# Information and Fees:



**Outreach Programs** are one hour long and designed for a maximum of 30 participants per program.

Initial program costs \$150. Additional presentations of the same program, on the same day, and at the same location are discounted to \$125 per program.

**Assembly Programs** are one hour long and designed for groups larger than 30. A projection screen, table, and AV cart for laptop and projector are required. Prices vary based on the number of participants, and additional presentations of the same program, on the same day, and at the same location are discounted.

*\*\*\* Sites outside of Morris County \*\*\*  
add \$25 per program.*

	Outreach Up to 30 participants	Assembly 30 to 60 participants	Assembly 60 & Up participants
1st program	\$150	\$250	\$350
Each additional program	\$125	\$210	\$300
Virtual Programs	\$60 for 30 minutes	\$120 for 30 minutes	\$60 per eve- ry 30 people

## Enjoy a Field Trip . . . *Without Leaving Your Facility!*

Outreach programs are conveniently presented at your location. These programs are individually tailored to the interests and needs of your audience.

- Schools
- Scout Groups
- Senior Citizens
- Libraries
- Youth Groups



**To reserve a program or for  
additional information,  
please contact:**

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## Programs for Adults

*While all programs listed in this brochure may be adapted for adults, the following programs are specifically designed for adults.*

### Dealing with WILD Neighbors: ♦

Squirrels in the attic! Raccoons in the garbage! Bears in the backyard! What's a homeowner to do when wildlife gets too close for comfort? Discover the reasons for wild animals' behavior and simple solutions for peacefully living side by side.

### Fact or Fiction - Nature Edition: ♦

Should I pick up a fallen baby bird? Are some snakes *venomous*? Do Black Bears hibernate? Enjoy a humorous presentation while determining what really is fact or fiction regarding some of the most commonly seen and talked about New Jersey animals.

### The Truth About Ticks: ♦

Despite their blood-sucking behavior, ticks are an important part of nature with complex life cycles. This program explains how and why ticks do what they do, debunks the myths about ticks and Lyme's Disease, and teaches participants how to protect themselves and their property from being havens for ticks.

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