



What's in Your Back Yard?

90-minute Program * Best suited for grades 1, 2 & 3
Science Standards: 1.E.2, 1.L.1, 1.L.2; 2.L.1; 3.E.2, 3.L.2

Schools in New Hanover County: \$4 per student
Schools outside New Hanover County: \$7 per student

EXPLORE LOWER CAPE FEAR ECOLOGY!

Crawl inside a beaver lodge, build a giant food web, and meet a Venus' flytrap. Working as ecologists, students study soils, plants, and animals of the maritime, bottomland, and upland forests of our region.

PROGRAM ACTIVITIES INCLUDE:

SOILS AND ECOSYSTEMS

Hone observational skills investigating soil samples and examining the characteristic features of three local ecosystems.

NEEDY CREATURES!

Work in teams to locate animals in the Michael Jordan Discovery Gallery and identify the resources these creatures need for survival. Investigate a Venus' flytrap to conclude that plants have needs as well.

BEAVER LODGE AND LIFE CYCLE

Learn all about a beaver's life and family structure, then crawl inside a beaver lodge and experience what life is like on the inside!

BEAVER FEATURES

Examine pelts, skulls, and other Museum artifacts to determine how a beaver's body is designed to help it survive in a bottomland forest ecosystem.

MAKIN' TRACKS

Compare and contrast the features of several Lower Cape Fear animals' hands and feet, then create an animal-track identification sheet.

FOOD CHAINS AND FOOD WEBS

Ecological terms "come to life" when creating models of food chains and discovering who eats whom in a giant food web.

Call 910.798.4362 or email cfmprograms@nhcgov.com to schedule your field trip!



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