# MEADOWLANDS SUMMER CAMP 2025

## MONDAY **JUNE 23**

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#### Marsh Meander

Explore our local wetland habitat with an experienced guide. We'll introduce you to what makes the water here unusual. hike out to the marsh, and try dip netting for aquatic critters. We'll also make some upclose observations and learn about what these organisms are doing here in their life cycles. You may get wet or muddy – dress for mess!

# TUESDAY **JUNE 24**

#### **Decomposers**

Growing your own garden can be one of the most rewarding activities a family can do together but even if you're not the gardening type this program will be a ton of fun. Investigate earthworms up close and learn how they experience the world and what makes them expert composters. Take home a seedling pot made from recycled newspaper with seeds we'll give you planted in it.

# WEDNESDAY **JUNE 25**

#### Knee-high Nature

Explore a world hidden in the grass beneath your feet, a world dominated by creatures that exist in nearly every shape and color, can transform into an armored beast or painted beauty, and often possess superhuman strength and speed. Come discover the world of insects! We'll spend some time on insect safari and see some amazing specimens both living and preserved.

## WEDNESDAY JULY 2

#### Water Olympics

There's no better way to cool off in the summer than with water! Campers will have fun and learn about the properties of water through a full day of games and activities. Campers may get wet or muddy – dress for mess!

# THURSDAY JUNE 26

#### Wind and Water

Campers will be exposed to the forces of nature resulting from weather. Hands-on models will be used to demonstrate how wind and water can impact human structures and change the land. Teams will then investigate ways to resist weather effects. Using natural materials and testing criteria, can students build a windresistant tower AND float their boats? A fun, openended exploration!

#### Astronomical Wonders

Campers will stay cool as they embark on a program that is "out of this world". By stepping into our star lab planetarium, campers will learn about the night sky. They will create star charts, comets and luminaria to take home.

# MONDAY JUNE 30

## Finding our Feathered Friends

Birds have some of the most interesting and conspicuous life cycles of any animal group and there are few places in New Jersey that rival the Meadowlands for observing them. Come to DeKorte Park for fun avianrelated activities and some high-quality bird watching.

# TUESDAY JULY 1

#### Going Up & Coming Down!

Let's go fly a kite! Campers will put their engineering skills to the test as they explore force and motion. Activities include paper airplanes, kites, and creating a vessel to compete in an egg drop challenge!

These are stand-alone programs. Drop-off time is between 9:45-10am. Pick up is at 1:30pm sharp.

# Things to bring:

Brown bag lunch and beverage Bug spray, sun screen, hat, water bottle



# FRIDAY **JUNE 27**

#### For more information, please call 201-460-8300

<u>Times</u> 10am - 1:30pm

Cost \$35 per day, per child

Location The Meadowlands Environment Center 3 De Korte Park Plaza Lyndhurst, NJ 07071

> **Registration** Opens on April 1, 2025

> > Space is limited.

Programs are for children currently enrolled in kindergarten through grade 5. There will be two groups each day. Group 1 is for k-2nd graders & group 2 is for 3rd-5th graders.



#### What to wear:

Old sneakers or aqua shoes (may get muddy or wet) NO flip flops! Rain jacket or poncho, if rain is predicted