

OUTDOOR AND ENVIRONMENTAL
EDUCATION IN DURHAM PRESENTS

2023

SUMMER *Day Camp*



FOR
CHILDREN
7-12
YEARS OF AGE

AT THE DURHAM FOREST ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION CENTRE

THE DURHAM FOREST ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION CENTRE
is gearing up for another summer full of fun, learning and adventure!

JULY 4 THROUGH AUGUST 25, 2023

EIGHT ONE-WEEK SESSIONS, MONDAY TO FRIDAY, 9:00 A.M. TO 4:00 P.M.

Located just south of the town of Uxbridge, this great facility operated by the Durham District School Board, is a wonderful camp-like setting. The eight weeks of camp feature outdoor and experiential learning activities designed to inspire, educate and reconnect your child to the world around them.

\$200 - \$250 per week (t-shirt included for each student)



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Weekly Sessions 1 to 4



WEEK ONE - JULY 3 TO JULY 7, 2023

PLANTS, SEEDS, BERRIES, AND BIRDS

This week campers will be learning about all things that grow in Ontario and on Durham Forests property. Students will be taking hikes and learning about the circle of plants, seeds, berries, and birds on the property. Students will be learning what a green thumb is through planting and identifying the plants, seeds, and berries around the site and why they are important.



WEEK TWO - JULY 10 TO 14, 2023

SURVIVOR SKILLS

This week campers will learn about how to survive outdoors in summer. Students will learn how to create outdoor fires, learn how to create a shelter with wood poles and a tarp and learn how to survive if you have no food/water.



WEEK THREE - JULY 17 TO 21, 2023

WILD DISCOVERIES

This week campers will be immersed into the nature around them from a new perspective here at Durham Forest. Campers will scan the trees around them and examine the ground below them as we walk the trails. We will even encounter many of Ontario's Indigenous animals. Create animal crafts and play predator vs prey games.



WEEK FOUR - JULY 24 TO 28, 2023

GOING GREEN

This week Campers will learn about why "going green" is important to the world around us. Campers will learn what it means to be sustainable and why it is so important to the world around us. Campers will learn about the three "R's" and use the environment around us to make sustainable crafts and decisions. Students will also play different games to learn about climate change.



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WEEK FIVE - JULY 31 TO AUGUST 4, 2023

ALL ABOUT TREES AND TRAILS

This week campers will get to know the trees and trails of Durham Forest. Campers will hike, learn, and use their senses in the world around them. We will be hiking deep into the forest to identify trees and the nature around them.



WEEK SIX - AUGUST 8 TO 11, 2023 (FOUR-DAY WEEK)

MYSTERY WEATHER

Each day campers will become a nature detective and use clues to solve nature mysteries. Campers will learn about how weather changes and how animals adapt to the changing weather from their findings. Campers will also learn about the weather through the arts.



WEEK SEVEN - AUGUST 14 TO 18, 2023

ACTIVE IN NATURE

This week we are taking an active approach to everyday life in nature. Campers will complete activities that range from dramatic arts to sports all with a naturalistic twist.



WEEK EIGHT - AUGUST 21 TO 25, 2023

ORIENTATION SKILLS

This week campers will be taking their own lead into exploring the property and inquire about the land around them. Campers will learn the trails of the property, through orienteering, the use of a compass, and other skills. Campers will meet nature challenges and earn badges for completion each day.

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AGES:

Registration is open to children ages 7 to 12 (born in the years 2011-2016)

FEE: \$250.00 PER CHILD

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REGISTRATION:

Registration is currently open at ddsb.schoolcashonline.com. To complete the registration process, online payment may be made by credit card (Mastercard, Visa or American Express). Registration will close on **Friday, June 2nd, 2023**. We are limited to 30 spots per camp, register early to avoid disappointment.

CAMP HOURS:

Monday to Friday, 9:00 A.M. TO 4:00 P.M. There is NO before or after care.

LUNCH:

All campers are responsible for bringing a litterless lunch to camp each day. All garbage will be sent home with your campers. No peanuts or tree nuts please!

STAFF:

We are excited to have Rachel Willis as Camp Director this year. Rachel has a recently graduated with a bachelors in child and youth studies from Trent university and is heading to the university of Toronto this fall to complete her masters in child study and education. She will be joined by a team of skilled and enthusiastic counsellors who are sure to challenge and engage the campers in their care. All staff are certified in CPR and First Aid. Campers will be well supervised with a staff to camper ratio of 1:10.

All campers will receive a Durham Forest Summer Day Camp t-shirt on their first day of camp! Please indicate t-shirt size on your registration form.

Registration will be open online until Friday, June 2, 2023.

Sign in at ddsb.schoolcashonline.com to register

FOR MORE INFORMATION please email durhamforest@ddsb.ca or visit ddsb.ca

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