



Lorrimer Sanctuary

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SCHOOL FIELD TRIPS to LORRIMER SANCTUARY

All programs are taught by experienced environmental educators on our beautiful, 14-acre nature sanctuary. Each of the following programs is taught at an age-appropriate level for your specific group. Many of the classes meet the Next Generation Science Standards.

Cost is \$8.00 per student or \$125.00 minimum. Class size is limited to 25 students.
A \$75 deposit is required at least two weeks before your scheduled program dates to confirm your reservation. Any remaining balance is due on the date of your program.

Program Descriptions

All About Birds- Like all living organisms, each species of bird has developed physical adaptations that enable it to be successful. An in-class discussion using bird mounts, bird parts (feathers, eggs, nests etc.), pictures, and graphics will be used to teach students the unique adaptations of birds. Following the indoor portion, we'll head outside for a bird walk on our nature trail to study some of our backyard birds.

Apple Cider Making- A seasonal favorite! Through hands-on participation, students will experience the old-fashioned method of pressing apple cider. We'll start under the apple trees with a discussion of the life cycle of trees and plants. Then, using our antique cider press, we'll make our own authentic apple cider- the rewards are sweet! *(Offered mid-September through mid-November)*

Come to Your Senses- Through indoor and outdoor activities and games, students will learn how to utilize all of the five senses while exploring the natural world. Feel the earth, smell the flowers and listen to the birds while gaining an appreciation for the natural world.

Home is where the Habitat is- This program begins in the classroom with a discussion of what humans and animals need to survive. We'll define what makes a habitat and how different plants and animals need different habitats. We'll then head outside to explore the habitats here at the sanctuary to find out who lives here.

Incredible Insects- Your students will really "bug out" over this program! Learn what makes an insect an insect and discover the ecological roles they play, their habitats, and their adaptations. Using nets and bug boxes we'll venture into insect habitats to collect and observe some insect specimens. *(Offered May - September)*

Leaves on Parade- As nature prepares to slow down for the coming winter, your students can discover the beauty of the autumn woods. From examining brightly colored leaves to seeing first-hand the effect of years of fallen leaves on a forest ecosystem, this program encourages critical thinking and creativity. *(Offered September - November)*

Mad About Mammals- What are warm blooded, furry, and can be seen in your own backyard? Mammals, of course! Learn all about the mammals that live right here in New Jersey- from the beavers that swim to the bats that fly. An indoor slide show and hands-on lesson with pelts, skins, skulls, and other artifacts will be followed by an outdoor exploration in search of resident mammals.

Nature's Palette- Nature is full of colors! Students will gain an appreciation for the colors of the natural world through discussion and hands-on activities. Using only natural materials and their imagination, students will learn about nature while making their own eco-art.

Radical Reptiles- Often feared and misunderstood, reptiles are among the most incredible and fascinating animals on the planet. Through demonstrations, discussion, and class participation, this program will allow your students an up-close look at live turtles and snakes in a safe and respectful environment.

Sanctuary Scavenger Hunt- It's time to celebrate and find nature's signs of the season. Each season brings a new assortment of natural items for students to find. Will we find everything on our scavenger hunt list? Children will participate in hands-on discovery and activities. Dress for the outdoors.

Signs of Spring- Spring has sprung here at the Lorrimer Sanctuary! It's time to celebrate and find nature's signs of the season. Enjoy an eye-opening nature walk with our naturalist as we search high and low for flowers, leaf buds, insects, singing birds and frogs, and maybe even a salamander or two! *(Offered April - June)*

Talons, not Teeth- Birds of prey hold a special fascination for many people. Using mounts, feathers, bones and other artifacts, this program will familiarize students with the unique adaptations that eagles, hawks and owls have developed to enable them to be successful hunters. Learn which species can be found here in New Jersey.

Winter Warmth- Do bears really hibernate? Where do all the bugs go? In this indoor/outdoor, students will learn how plants, birds, insects, and other animals survive the cold months of winter. We'll discuss how animals migrate, hibernate, and stay warm until spring returns. Dress for the weather! *(Offered November - March)*

Planning Your Visit

To schedule a program with the Lorrimer Sanctuary call our business office during our hours: Wednesday - Saturday 10am to 4pm, or email mary.birrer@njudubon.org.

Please have the following information available when contacting us to book a program:

- Name, address, email address and phone number of group
- Name of program
- Date and time desired (including alternate dates)
- Group size and grade level
- Any special education/physical needs of your students

In order to reserve your date and time a \$75 deposit is required at least two weeks prior to your visit. Any remaining balance is due on the date of your visit.

Cancellation policy: Any group that cancels less than two weeks prior to the date of the program will not be refunded the deposit.

Inclement weather: In the event of rain or snow, we will contact you prior to the program to make the decision whether to hold or reschedule the program. For all programs, please ensure students are dressed for the weather.

Our **gift shop** is full of educational children's items and books. If you would like to make the store available to your students, let our staff know at the time of scheduling.

Directions to Lorrimer Sanctuary

From Route 287 (North or South):

Take exit for Rt. 208 South and follow directions below.

From Rt. 208 (North or South):

Take the Ewing Avenue Exit. Go South on Ewing Avenue through a blinker and a traffic light (intersection of Franklin Lakes Road). Proceed 200 yds. to our driveway on the right side (approximately 1 mile from Rt. 208).

From Ramsey/Mahwah Area:

Come across Wyckoff Avenue to Franklin Avenue in the center of Wyckoff. Turn right at the light, go approximately 1 1/2 miles to Ewing Avenue. Turn left onto Ewing Avenue, go under Rt. 208, then proceed as above.

From Paterson area:

Take Belmont Avenue to High Mountain Road in Franklin Lakes. Go past Haledon Reservoir on right, then turn right on Ewing Avenue. Go approximately 1 mile. Our driveway is on the left side.