Welcome to Great Parks of Hamilton County’s school program offerings for the 2021–2022 school year! We’re bringing the best of nature to you, wherever your classroom may be.

Great Parks is following protocols from the Centers of Disease Control and Prevention and the Ohio Department of Health. Physical distancing and sanitation recommendations will be followed.

All field trips to Great Parks address Ohio’s Learning Standards and respective content statements for kindergarten through eighth grade. If you don’t see a program that meets your educational requirements, please let us know. We will work with you to adjust the program to do.

**Pricing**
- $6/student
- Teachers are free of charge
- 1 additional chaperone for every 10 children is fee
- Additional chaperones: $6/individual

**Financial Assistance**
Great Parks believes that all members of our community should have access to all that the great outdoors has to offer. Our scholarship fund is a way in which families and organizations can connect a child with nature through financial assistance.
- Partial scholarships are available to teachers and organizations to help offset the cost of a school or group program. All applicants will be considered for a scholarship, but the priority will be given to groups located in Hamilton County. The award can be up to 75% of the cost of the program with a maximum of $300.
- To learn more, click [here](#) and select Scholarships.

Discounts can be applied based on free and reduced lunch percentages. Please let us know when you contact us.

**Booking a Program**
Ready to book a program? Have a question that’s not answered here? Here are the next steps:
Email [schoolprograms@greatparks.org](mailto:schoolprograms@greatparks.org)
- Enter in the subject line the program name and grade level
- Give possible dates for when you plan to visit
- Please allow at least 30 days for scheduling. Dates are subject to availability.

To book a field trip,
email schoolprograms@greatparks.org
Eighth Grade
In-Person Programs

Building Team Culture
Available: September—November & April—May

Location: Shawnee Lookout
Think outside the box and explore your team’s culture. With challenges to foster communication, trust and bonding, this exploration of team will wander through an American Indian earthwork and build up relationships to achieve your goals.

During this program, students will:
• Work together as a team to complete different challenges
• Adapt to different ways of thinking both individually and as a team
• Explore an ancient earthwork, an amazing example of teamwork

Social Emotional Learning Standards:
• Identify and describe how personal choices and behavior impacts self and others.
• Describe possible outcomes associated with verbal and nonverbal expression of emotions in different settings.
• Plan steps needed to reach a short-term goal.
• Identify alternative strategies with guidance toward a specific goal.

Instruments of Infrastructure
Available: April & May

Location: Shawnee Lookout
Pull out your smartphone and the world is at your fingertips. The gizmos and gadgets used today make life rather effortless. Enter a world without modern luxuries to experience the trials of early American colonists.

During this program students will:
• Explore technological differences from early settlement to present day
• Practice their skills with pioneer tools and practice throwing tomahawks
• Identify how technological advances led to new patterns of settlement

Geography Strand:
• The availability of natural resources contributed to the geographic and economic expansion of the United States, sometimes resulting in unintended environmental consequences.

Maple Sugaring
Available: February & early March

Location: Farbach-Werner Nature Preserve
Learn about the sweet tradition of maple sugaring, including the science, tools, history, techniques and best of all, the taste!

During this program, students will:
• Take a hike through the woods to see a variety of collection methods
• Learn how and why maple trees make sap
• Learn about the process of turning sap into syrup
• Taste maple syrup and maple sugar

Content Statement:
Program can be adjusted to meet appropriate content standards for science and social studies.

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