

Welcome to Great Parks' school program offerings for the 2023–2024 school year! We're bringing the best of nature to you, wherever your classroom may be.

All field trips with Great Parks address the Ohio Department of Education's Learning Standards for kindergarten through eighth grade. If you don't see a program that meets your educational requirements, or if your group adheres to Next Generation standards, please contact us and we will work to adjust the program to meet your needs.

Pricing

- \$9/student (includes admission to Highfield Discovery Garden)
- Teachers are free of charge
- Chaperones: \$9/person

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

- 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.

Pre-Kindergarten - First Grade

Gardens & Animals

Available Sept., Oct., April & May

Explore the themed gardens and giant tree playhouse at Highfield Discovery Garden. Take a break in the workshop and meet some creatures who live in gardens. During this program students will:

- Have free time to explore the garden
- Meet and greet a few live animals and discover their basic needs

Ohio Department of Education Science Learning Standards:

- *K.LS.1 Living things have specific characteristics and traits.*
- *K.LS.2 Living things have physical traits and behaviors, which influence their survival.*
- *1.LS.1 Living things have basic needs, which are met by obtaining materials from the physical environment.*
- *1.LS.2 Living things survive only in environments that meet their needs.*

Exploring Soil

Available Sept., Oct., April & May

Explore the soil that makes up the earth and learn about some soil dwelling creatures.

Explore the themed gardens and giant tree playhouse at Highfield Discovery Garden. During this program students will:

- Have free time to explore the garden
- Sift through compost and see what is in it
- Meet at least one soil dwelling critter

Ohio Department of Education Science Learning Standards:

- *K.LS.1 Living things have specific characteristics and traits.*
- *K.LS.2 Living things have physical traits and behaviors, which influence their survival.*

Glenwood Gardens

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Second Grade - Fourth Grade

Garden Creatures & Mystery Hike

Available Sept., Oct., April & May

Someone has been causing mischief at the park! Take a hike and check out natural clues that have been left, to try and discover who has been lurking about. Also take some time to meet some of the live animals ambassadors and explore the themed gardens and giant tree playhouse at Highfield Discovery Garden. During this program students will:

- Have free time to explore the garden
- Meet and greet some life animals
- Take a hike and solve the mystery

Ohio Department of Education Science Learning Standards:

- *2.LS.1 Living things cause changes of Earth.*
- *3.LS.3 Plants and animals have life cycles that are part of their adaptations for survival in their natural environments.*
- *4.LS.1 Changes in an organism's environment are sometimes beneficial to its survival and sometimes harmful.*