

Make Learning Second Nature



Our river display allows kids to discover the river ecosystem

Our **Nature Center Program Series** is geared towards groups of all ages including (but not limited to):

- Field Trips
- Boy & Girl Scout Groups
- Homeschool Groups and Cooperatives
- Social/ Academic Clubs
- Study Groups

Our programs take place at the Burgess-Shadbush Nature Center and are based on an environmental topic of your choice with both an indoor and outdoor portion.

Using our donated collection of mounted specimens and scientific equipment, we lead the children in discussion and exploration of the chosen topic inside our Nature Center classroom. The outdoor portion of the program varies based on the topic but usually includes a walk along one of our trails where we further discuss and encourage the kids to come up with questions about the program.

These programs usually run 1.5 - 2 hours in length, including the outdoor portion.

For information on any of our programs, please call us at 586-323-2478.

Inclement Weather

Inclement weather is considered thunder/ lightning, flooding, high winds, dangerous temperatures, snowstorms, etc. This may alter programs slightly but can't hinder our learning. Programs will not be altered or canceled by the Nature Center unless dangerous weather conditions occur. Rain or sun, we carry on.



For more information, just contact us

586-323-2478
naturecenter@shelbytwp.org

**Or come on in to the nature center to ask us
in person.**

Mon-Tues: Closed
Wed-Sat: 10 AM - 6 PM
Sun: Noon - 5 PM

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**Did you know we're on Facebook? Like our
page to keep up with events and programs
all year long.**

@ShelbyTwpNature

Plan a visit to our Nature Center for educational fun or we'll come to you for on-site programs.



STEM Program Series

Working together with local and national partners, the Burgess-Shadbush Nature Center is now proud to announce the development and implementation of a new STEM based program series.



Hands-on learning experiences

STEM Program Topics

Our inventory and survey topics are loosely structured based on the time, location, and age of the group. Our educators work with the instructor of the participating class to design an inventory or project that fits the class and the curriculum. The categories of lessons that we offer at this time are as follows:

- Plants/ Botany
- Animals
- Microorganisms
- Environment
- Earth Science

Each inventory is tailored to the class curriculum.



Mobile Programming

The Burgess-Shadbush Nature Center is hitting the road, and we want to stop by to see you. We are now offering a wide range of outreach topics. Our programs are designed for hands-on learning with living and mounted animals for demonstrations.

We also offer programs for events with large crowds. Please call us for additional information if you are interested in booking for a more festive event.

Our programs cover topics like:

- Why Wild Animals Don't Make Good Pets
- Predators vs Prey
- Food Webs Aren't Just for Spiders
- Seasonal Adaptations (Spring Awakening, Summer Fun, Fall Preparation, Winter Naps)
- What Good Are Bugs Anyway?
- Just How Creepy Are These Crawlers?
- The Buzz About Pollinators
- Where Does Your Bath Water Go?
- Animal Specialists



Burgess-Shadbush Nature Center teaching gardens



Outdoor learning

Additional Topics

Not seeing the subject you're looking for or interested in hearing the specifics for some of our programs? We love a good challenge— let us know what type of program you are interested in, and we will be happy to work with you to create a one-of-a-kind program that you and your students will enjoy.



Crafts for all ages

Ask us about scout programs too