



Michigan Department of Natural Resources
2013 Academy of Natural Resources
Week for Early Elementary (WEE Ones)
July 14-19, MacMullan Conference Center

A G E N D A

Sunday, July 14

- 4:00 p.m. Check-In Begins – Conservation Education Center
- 5:30 p.m. Dinner – Resource Center Dining Hall
- 7:00 p.m. Welcome, Introductions and Overview of the Week
Kevin Frailey, DNR Education Services Mgr.
- 7:30 p.m. We are the DNR: An Introduction to the Michigan Dept. of Natural Resources w/ Kevin Frailey

Monday, July 15 Science and Critters in the Classroom

Lead Instructors: Natalie Elkins, Tracy Page, Nick Di Cresce

- 7:30 a.m. Breakfast
- 8:00 a.m. Shapes in Nature and Life Stages
- 10:00 a.m. Break
- 10:15 a.m. Kids like Things that Wiggle in the Woods and Water
- Noon Lunch
- 1:00 p.m. Grow'in Things
- 3:00 p.m. Break
- 3:15 p.m. Curriculum Connections
- 4:00 p.m. Mammal Discovery with Skulls, Pelts, Poop and More
- 5:00 p.m. Adjourn for the day
- 5:30 p.m. Dinner
- 7:00 p.m. Evening Program: *Props til You Drop* and *Tantalizing Trail Techniques* with Pete Stobie, Kalamazoo Nature Center

Tuesday, July 16 Nature and Language Arts

Instructors: Natalie, Tracy, Marcia Bareis and Melissa Walden

- 7:30 a.m. Breakfast
- 8:00 a.m. Language Arts in Nature/Reading and Imagination
- 10:00 a.m. Break
- 10:15 a.m. Language Arts Nature – Creativity Writing
- Noon Lunch
- 1:00 p.m. Social and Emotional Ties to Nature
- 3:00 p.m. Break
- 3:15 p.m. Curriculum Connections
- 5:00 p.m. Adjourn for the day
- 5:30 p.m. Dinner
- 7:00 p.m. Evening Program: Michigan Wolves and Their Future with Adam Bump
DNR Wildlife Biologist and Furbearer Specialist

Wednesday, July 17 Nature Counts: Using Nature with Math

Instructors: Natalie, Tracy, Marcia, and Melissa

7:30 a.m.	Breakfast
8:00 a.m.	Sorting, Comparisons and Charts
10:00 a.m.	Break
10:15 a.m.	More Math and Manipulatives
Noon	Lunch
1:00 p.m.	Field trip to Outdoor Play-Scape
3:00 p.m.	Break
3:15 p.m.	More Nature Play-scape Tips for your School Yard
5:00 p.m.	Adjourn for the day
5:30 p.m.	Dinner
7:00 p.m.	Optional Evening Program: <i>Geodes are Smashing Good Fun</i> with Steve Tchozeski, Great Lakes Geoscience

Thursday, July 18 Art and Music in Nature

Instructors: Katie Woodhams, Natalie and Tracy

7:30 a.m.	Breakfast
8:00 a.m.	Paint and Plaster Projects
10:00 a.m.	Break
10:15 a.m.	Music Makers and More
Noon	Lunch
1:00 p.m.	Found Art
3:00 p.m.	Break
3:15 p.m.	Connections to Nature Sounds
4:00 p.m.	Curriculum Connections
5:00 p.m.	Adjourn for the day
5:30 p.m.	Dinner
7:00 p.m.	Evening Program: A Zooeducation w/ Dennis Laidler, Potter Park Zoo

Friday, July 19 WEE Ones Wrap Up

Instructors: Natalie and Katie

7:30 a.m.	Breakfast
8:00 a.m.	Wrap up and Presentations
10:00 a.m.	Break
10:15 a.m.	Round Up the Week
11:00 a.m.	General Assembly
Noon	Adjourn for the day and lunch

Happy Trails

All meals, unless otherwise noted, will be served in the Dining Hall in the Resource Center.