Welcome to 1000 Islands Environmental Center

Established in 1969, 1000 Islands is a 350 acre conservancy zone along the lower Fox River. There are over seven miles of trails including barrier-free boardwalk. The Nature Center building houses live animals, educational exhibits and animal mounts.

The Nature Center and trail system are open to school and community groups along with the general public. Fees may apply for organized groups of 10 or more, please contact the Nature Center for more information and to plan your visit.

Mission Statement

To provide children, adults and families the knowledge and skills needed to build a sustainable balance among the environment, economy and community through education, conservation and recreation.

Building, Facilities and Resources

- Inside and outside lunch space
- Fire pit and roasting forks
- Barrier-free building and portions of trails
- Specimen/program materials
- Binoculars
- Crayfishing nets and buckets
- Fishing poles
- Snowshoes



Program Rates

Half-Day: $3 / student; minimum cost $50
Full-Day: $5 / student; minimum cost $75
There is no charge for teachers or chaperones.
Custom Program: $100
Off-Site Program: $50 / program

Group Size

We can accommodate groups of 60 or fewer. Due to our building size and to maintain a quality experience and personal attention, larger groups may be asked to split between multiple days/times.

Nature Center Hours

Tuesday - Friday 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Saturday 10:00 AM - 3:30 PM
Sunday and Monday - Closed

Contact Us

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1000 Islands Programming

From preschool children through senior citizens, 1000 Islands Environmental Center is proud to provide the opportunity for groups to schedule their visit, along with the option of an educational program with a naturalist. Groups should contact the Nature Center in advance for information and to schedule their visit. Scheduled programs allow your group to choose the day, time and topic(s) to create an educational program that suits your needs and interests.

Any type of group, large or small, is welcome to schedule an educational program. This includes:

- Daycare Centers
- Homeschool Groups
- Scouts
- Civic Groups
- Larger families or a group of friends

Programs are offered in a variety of styles and locations. Both indoor and outdoor programs are offered with a number of topics that can be held at your location. Either hands-on activities or lecture style presentations are offered for meetings and other captive audiences.

Scheduling a program that works best for you starts with choosing between a Field Trip or Field Experience. Field Trips are more informal and are designed for a fun learning experience. Field Experiences are more formal and designed around academic standards.

Field Trips

Our field trips are naturalist-led educational programs that provide challenging and thought-provoking activities. Teachers can create a custom field trip by mixing and matching activities from the list below. Activities cover a wide range of topics and formats for all ages. See our website for a full description of each activity.

Field Experiences

Field Experiences are more formal programs that are often based on academic standards. These half-day or full-day programs include lessons and activities for Pre-K through adults.

Check out our website for the full list of activities, programs, and descriptions.

	Recommended Audience			Activity Style		Location			Season			
Field Trip Activities	Preschool	School Age	Adult	Presentation	Hands-on	Inside	Outside	Off-Site	Winter	Spring	Summer	Fall
Bald Eagle Ecology		●	●	●		●		●	●	●	A	●
Biomimicry		●			●	●		●	●	●		●
Bug Hunt	●	●			●		●			●	●	●
Colorful Confusion		●			●		●			●	●	●
Crayfish & Critter Hunt		●	●		●		●			●	●	●
Every Drop Counts		●	●		●		●			●	●	●
Fire Building		●	●		●		●	●	●	●	●	●
Geocaching		●	●		●		●	●	●	●	●	●
Goats Tackle Invasive Species			●	●		●		●	●	●	●	●
Nature Games	●	●			●		●	●	●	●	●	●
Nature Hike	●	●	●	●	●		●		●	●	●	●
Orienteering		●	●		●		●	●	●	●	●	●
Outdoor Scavenger Hunt	●	●	●		●		●		●	●	●	●
Peregrine Falcons			●	●		●		●	●	●	A	●
Reducing Environmental Impact		●	●	●		●		●	●	●	A	●
Shelter Building		●	●		●		●		●	●	●	●
Skull Duggery		●	●		●	●		●	●	●		●
The Very Best Bed	●	●			●		●		●	●	●	●
What Am I?*	●	●		●		●		●	●	●	●	●
Where Do They Go in Winter?	●	●			●	●		●	●			
Who Eats What?*	●	●			●	●		●	●	●	●	●
Who Gives a Hoot		●	●	●	●	●		●	●	●	●	●
WI Mammals*	●	●		●	●	●		●	●	●	●	●
Field Experiences												
Fox River Ecology		●	●		●		●			●	●	●
Landforms and Water Cycle		●			●		●		●	●	●	●
Plant and Animal Adaptations		●			●	●	●		●	●	●	●
Sugar Bush	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●		
Survival Skills		●	●		●		●		●	●	●	●
Weather and Climate		●			●		●		●	●	●	●

* Offered only as an off-site program in summer

A = Available to adult groups only