



School Programs with the Center at Fairfield

2325 Burr Street, Fairfield, CT 06824

Program Information

Location

Programs marked (CAF) are held only at the Center at Fairfield; those marked (OS) can also be done in your classroom or schoolyard.

Ages

PreK and up, as noted.

After School Option

Programs are also available as three to eight week after school series. Call for information.

Program fees

At the Center at Fairfield

60 minutes: \$5/students; \$50 minimum

90 minutes: \$6/student; \$60 minimum

120 minutes: \$8/student; \$80 minimum

Programs at your site:

One program: \$105/hour-plus travel

Two programs: \$90/hour-plus travel

Three or more: \$80/program-plus travel

Assembly Style (3-4 classes):

\$175/hour- plus travel

Birds of Prey Programs (60 Minutes)

\$150- for a class size up to 70

\$250- for large assemblies over 70

Travel fee not included

Scheduling and Information

Please call: 203-259-6305 Ext. 109

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Connecticut Framework Codes

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ANIMAL GROUPS (CAF, OS)

(Grades PreK and up)

Introduce your students to the various characteristics of vertebrate and invertebrate animal groups. Using live animals (mammal, reptile, amphibian, bird and invertebrate) and props students identify, compare, and contrast specific characteristics and classify the animals.

A4, A6, A12, A14



EXPLORING THE SEASONS (CAF, OS) (Grades PreK and up)

Explore the way plants and animals adapt to conditions of the current season and how they prepare for the next one. Live animals, mounted specimens, and props reinforce and enhance the lesson.

Fall, Winter & Spring themed units available.

A4, B3, B4

LIFE IN THE WOODLAND (CAF, OS) (Grades PreK and up)

Students learn that a woodland is a habitat made up of plants and animals. They will discover the interdependence of living organisms in the layers (Canopy, understory, ground layer, and underground) of the woodland community. Live animals, mounted specimens and props are used to tell the story.

A12, A14, B3, B10

NATIVE AMERICANS (CAF, OS) (Grades PreK and up)

Students learn about the Native Americans reliance and respect for natural resources in every day life long ago. Hands-on activities allow students to practice daily life skills such as food preparation, wigwam building, and wampum bracelet making. During an outdoor walk students visit a replica of an Algonquin wigwam and experience the forest as a traditional resource for daily needs: grocery store, medicine source, home improvement center and more.

A9, A24, B7

WHAT MAKES A BIRD A BIRD? (CAF, OS) (Grades PreK and up)

Learn the characteristics common to all birds. Students will learn how to identify different types of beaks, feet, and feathers to determine how these features relate to behaviors and habitats. Students practice identifying birds by sight and sound. Program includes live birds, feathers, mounted specimens, and bones.

Suitable for assembly programs.

A4, A12, A14, B3, B4

DOWN BY THE SOUND (OS) (Grades PreK and up)

What's it like to live in Long Island Sound? Discover the unique features and behaviors of organisms that call this aquatic habitat home. Students observe a variety of live creatures and non-living artifacts, explore adaptations for survival and determine how organisms meet their basic needs. Program will conclude with a grade-level appropriate discussion of the challenges Long Island Sound organisms face in their daily lives. Offered seasonally: late spring, summer and fall.





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BUTTERFLIES! (ARACHNIDS AND MORE) (CAF) (Grades 1 and up)
What has six legs, eight legs, and even more legs? Explore the characteristics of insects, arachnids, and invertebrates through an up close look at animals without backbones. Discover the unique characteristics of these animals' life cycles and learn the special relationship between butterflies and plants throughout their life cycles.

Offered seasonally: late spring and early fall.

A5, A15, A16, B3, B10

MARSHES, PONDS & STREAMS (CAF) (Grades 2 and up)

Explore a variety of aquatic habitats in the Larsen Sanctuary. Students compare and contrast plant and animal adaptations for survival in these habitats. Through examination and identification of organisms and their habitats, students learn about the natural dynamics within freshwater ecosystems.

A15, B4, B10, B11, C11

GOING, GOING, GONE? ENDANGERED SPECIES (CAF, OS)
(Grades 3 and up)

Learn how human actions impact the animals with which we share the planet. Students will be introduced to live animals illustrating the challenges they face (habitat loss, invasive species, and more). Students will then draw their own conclusions based on the information presented and brainstorm ways they can make a difference.

B7, B10, B11

ROCK & ROLL (CAF, OS) (Grades 3 and up)

Learn basic skills of rock and mineral identification. Working in small groups students examine five mystery samples noting color, luster, streak, and hardness. After recording their data students use a field guide to identify the sample to determine if it is rock or mineral.

B5, B6

BIRDS OF PREY (CAF, OS) (Grades 3 and up)

Students learn about the special adaptations of raptors and the role they play in ecosystems. Includes live raptors and props.

Suitable for assembly programs. Please note special program pricing. B3, B11, C5

OWLS (CAF, OS) (Grades 3 and up)

Uncover the truth behind the myths as we explore the world of owls and their special adaptations for nighttime living. Students will dissect an owl pellet to learn the dynamics of a food web and the challenges these nocturnal birds face in their quest for food and survival. Includes live owl, props and owl pellets.

B3, B10

Owl pellet fee: \$2 per pellet

FOOD CHAINS & FOOD WEBS (CAF, OS) (Grade 3 and up)

Using live animals students will uncover the unique adaptations animals have for their place in the food chain/web. Students will create a food chain and a food web.

Suitable for assembly programs.

B10, C6

ANIMAL ADAPTATIONS (CAF, OS) (Grades 4 and up)

Using live animals, mounted specimens, and props students discover the unique adaptations of various vertebrates and invertebrates. Through observation, group work and critical thinking skills students explore how these animals are adapted to obtain food, water, air, protection and avoid predators.

Suitable for assembly programs.

B3, B4, C5

