## **RANCOCAS**

### **Connecting Children With Nature**

Why choose a Rancocas Nature Center Camp?

- ♦ Fun & Engaging Outdoor Experiences
- Highly-trained staff; low camper/teacher ratio
- ♦ Age-appropriate groups
- NJ State certified summer camp
- Competitive rates & varied scheduling
- ♦ Family-friendly weeks
- Rancocas has been part of the Burlington County community since 1977.

Enjoy
Seven Weeks of Summer
Camp Fun in the
Rancocas State Park
Register on or before
March 31, 2017
for discounted rates



### Full & half-day weekly sessions from Monday, June 26 to Friday, August 11

Full-day camp hours: from 9:00 am-3:00 pm Selected weeks Monday through Friday Campers must bring their own lunch. Cost (wks 1, 3, 4, 6): \$240/week (\$204/week until 3/31/17)

Post-camp Care (offered only with full-day camp) 3:00 pm-4:00 pm; \$40/week

Half-day camp hours: from 9:00 am-12:00 pm Selected weeks Tuesday through Friday Cost (weeks 5, 7): \$120/week (\$102/week until 3/31/17)

Preschool camp hours: from 9:30 am-11:30 am Week 2 Only; Wednesday through Friday Cost: \$60/week (\$51/week until 3/31/17)

### Registration:

- □ Call the center to request a form
- □ Download a form at: rancocasnaturecenter.org
- □ Register in person at the center

#### Note:

RNC membership is required for camp sign-up. Discounts apply only to non-installment plan registrations received on or before March 31, 2017.

# Nature Center Summer Day Camps

Childhood and the outdoors are a natural fit. Our summer campers have fun while learning about the world around them. A typical day at camp looks to blend the natural sciences with active, outdoor experiences under the guidance of knowledgeable educators. Group interaction and cooperation create a positive setting where learning is hands-on and fun. Whether it's through an age-appropriate hike, a craft or project, or a themed game or activity, campers gain an awareness of the natural world and the importance of a sustainable community.

Week 1: June 26 - June 30 *The World is a Garden* Full-day camp: Mon.- Fri. from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm Gardens provide opportunities to dig in the dirt, find worms, plant seeds, and experience nature. Each

week engages campers in planting the RNC vegetable and butterfly gardens as well as exploring the preserve's habitats that are home to an assortment of wildlife just waiting to be discovered.



Morning camp: Wed.- Fri. from 9:30 am to 11:30 pm Preschoolers, ages 4 & 5, can get a chance to share the fun of the outdoors. This introduction to summer camp is the perfect time for your child to enjoy nature activities first-hand in a social environment.

Week 3: July 10 - July 14 It's a Wild World
Full-day camp: Mon.- Fri. from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm
Summertime is full of excitement on the state park
trails as our native plants and animals are found and
observed. The week will include activities designed
to engage campers in the diverse fauna and flora
that live in our world.





#### Week 4: July 17 - July 21 Fun With Water

Full-day camp: Mon.- Fri. from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm What better place to be on a hot summer day than in the clear streams and cool, shady forests of the Rancocas State Park. Water is one of our most important resources and campers will learn what's in it, who uses it, and how to keep it pollution free.





Photos by RNC staff, campers, and volunteers

Week 5: July 25 - July 28 Critters & Creatures

Half-day camp: Tues.- Fri. from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm From our microscopic critters to our vertebrates, it's fun to investigate wildlife. Activities include hands-on experiences with Rancocas' resident animals, and our Butterfly Enclosure and Dragonfly Pond.

Campers use the state park streams, forests, and meadows to experience the natural world first-hand.

#### Week 6: July 31 - August 4 Invertebrate Investigations

Full-day camp: Mon.- Fri. from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm Flying in the air, under a log, in the stream, and on a leaf, invertebrate animals are all around. They are fun to investigate, sample, and record. Let's see what can be discovered along our trails and in our habitats.

# Week 7: August 8 - August 11 Connecting With Nature

Half-day camp: Tues.- Fri. from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm This week will focus on exciting nature-oriented projects that encourage team-building and camaraderie. There's much to do in the park and campers will use their imaginations as they look for answers and try fun strategies while helping our wildlife preserve.

Visit our website at: rancocasnaturecenter.org Email us at: info@rancocasnaturecenter.org

# **SUMMER CAMPS**

**ENTERING GRADES 1 TO 2** NATURE DETECTIVES

**ENTERING GRADES 3 TO 4** RANCOCAS RANGERS

**ENTERING GRADES 5 TO 7** Jr. Naturalists

Summer camp at Rancocas is a fun way to add natural science knowledge to your child's education. Each week features a different theme and gives campers an age-appropriate experience.



#### **ABOUT OUR CENTER:**

The Rancocas Nature Center is centrally located in South Jersey in close proximity to Mt. Holly, Cherry Hill, and Philadelphia. Situated in the Rancocas State Park, the site includes well maintained trails through diverse habitats that offer visitors a unique experience in a natural setting. Join us this summer and discover the value of environmental education at its best.

VISIT OUR NATURE STORE, LIVE ANIMAL **EXHIBITS & MUSEUM AREA ENJOY LUNCH AT OUR PICNIC TABLES** 

#### **DIRECTIONS:**

FROM I-295: Exit 45A (Mt. Holly/Willingboro exit). Head east on Rancocas Road. The Center is on the right-hand side, about 1.8 miles from I-295.

FROM STATE ROUTE 206: Connect with Route 38 southeast of Mount Holly. Take Route 38 west to Route 541 By-pass, turn right, following Route 541 to Rancocas Road (2nd intersection). Turn left onto Rancocas Road and proceed about 1 mile. The Center will be on the left.

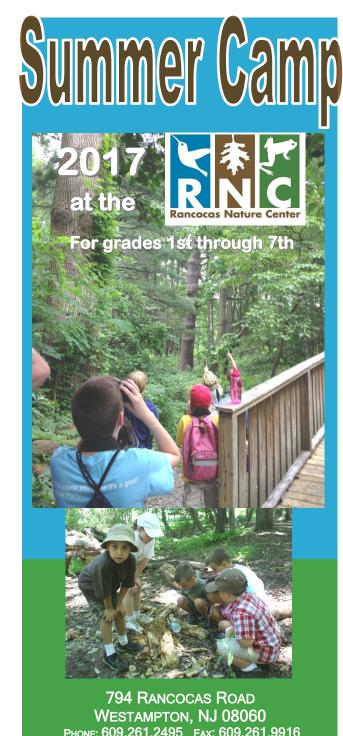
Rancocas Nature Center gets great reviews from parents! Check our website at: www.rancocasnaturecenter.org to see past testimonials and photos.

> **Register on or before** March 31, 2017 and receive an early-bird discount on camp fees.

(does not include installment plan registrations)

### **NEW THIS YEAR!**

Ask about our installment plan for summer camp payments.



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