



Fernbrook Farms Environmental Education Center



2023 Fall-Winter Bridge Lower Level Homeschool
Ages 6-11 Years Old

2-Hour Classes-

Tuesdays 9:30am-11:30am,

Tuesdays 1:00pm-3:00pm

Thursdays 9:30am-11:30am, OR

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Enrichment-

Wednesdays or Fridays 9am-3:30pm

Fernbrook Farms Environmental Education Center's Lower Level Homeschool Program provides students with an alternative way of learning. Students spend a day once a week on our 230 acre working farm with amazing natural resources such as 60 acres of forest, a meadow, streams, agriculture, and a rich history. Our dedicated staff work with small groups of students to provide hands-on learning experiences.

Our Bridge Program is a short period of classes between our 8-week semesters and is a great way to bridge the gap between our Fall and Winter Semesters, as well as try out our classes to see if you are interested in pursuing participation in our future programs. If you have any questions please call the Education Center at (609) 298-4028 or email jenna@FernbrookFarms.com. This program only has 30 spots available per class time so register quickly!



The Search for the Fernbrook Beavers November 28th, 29th, 30th, or Dec. 1st

North American Beaver play a critical role in the ecology of our streams and are considered a “keystone” species. Beavers engineer their habitat which supports greater biodiversity that would otherwise not exist. During this class students will explore Fernbrook’s creek side trails in search of our industrious beavers. Classes will discuss beaver anatomy, physiology, and how beavers construct their dams and lodges.

The Art of Fire Building & Fire-Starting December 5th, 6th, 7th, or 8th

Fire-making is said to be one of humankind’s most significant achievements. For hundreds of years, fire has been used to light up the dark, fend off predators, keep us warm and dry, and allow us to cook! Students will understand the importance of fire safety, collect the appropriate materials for creating fire, and use alternative fire-starting methods such as magnesium, flint and steel, magnifying glasses, and just plain matches.

Baking Bread & Making Butter December 12th, 13th, 14th, or 15th

Our final class, the students will build and start a fire and tend to the fire as we prepare two staples of everyday life. Students will learn about the science of butter making. Turning cream into butter and adding some fresh farm flavorings. Additionally, students will mix, knead, and shape bread to bake over the campfire! While we wait, as we know, both bread and butter making have their share of downtime, classes will learn some new forest games!

