

Outdoor Education

**Classes & Evening
Activities**

Classes

Outdoor Education is a part of the MCPS 6th grade curriculum and an academic program. We expect ALL and plan for all students to attend. If you have concerns or questions, please contact Mrs. Quinn. OE is part of the 10 SSL hours students earn at the end of 6th grade.

Each student will be assigned an instructional group; this is your class for the week. You will attend 4 different classes with your instructional group for the entire session. Classes are approximately 2-3 hrs. At the end of each class there is a journal writing assignment (paper provided). Work completed in classes and information learned will be used back at school for a project/lab/report etc for an assessment grade in each of your academic classes.

There are numerous times set aside for journal writing. You will write and/or draw your experiences while at camp. These will be used back at school for a grade. Journals will be collected at lunch on the last day. After we return to RH, students will finalize their journals and turn in to their teacher (TBD). Digital Literacy classes will go over journal expectations in more detail.

Each academic class has a assignment that will be completed and graded as an assessment.

Predator Prey

A simulation game based on animal survival skills and the food chain. Students will role play the parts of a vet, disease, humans, omnivores, carnivores, herbivores etc. Through structured student discourse, students will discuss the importance of preserving the balance of the food chain, what happens if the food chain becomes unbalanced, and the how humans impact the food chain.



Confidence Course

Similar to an obstacle course, but the focus is to complete the tasks as a team. Students will use problem solving skills, cooperation, effective listening & communication and teamwork in order to be successful. There will be some physical challenges, but everyone will be able to set their own individual goal.



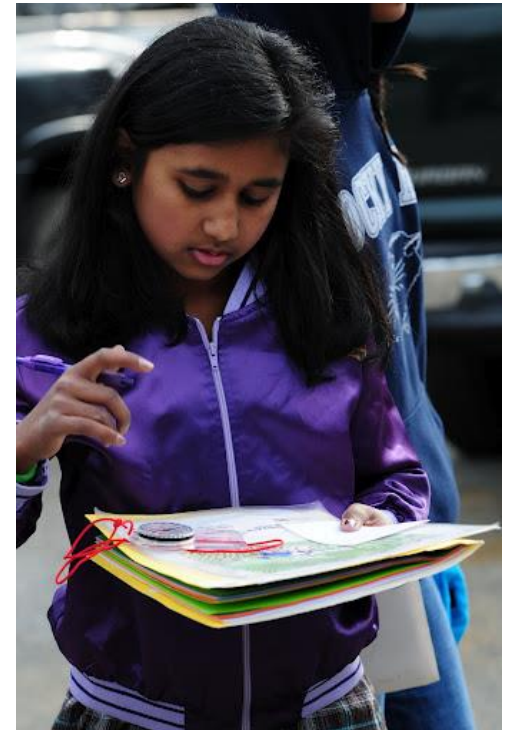
Watershed

Students will go down to the bay to observe & classify critters and assess the health of the bay through various scientific tests. Results will be recorded at camp and used back at school. Students will learn about the watershed and how our individual actions impact the Chesapeake Bay Watershed community.



Treasure Earth

Students groups will explore the campground & surrounding area using a contour map and compass to find and complete the challenges contained inside the 10-12 “treasure” boxes. Challenges will range from measuring the humidity, determining the wind speed, observing the biotic diversity in an area, testing the soil consistency, etc.



Evening Activities



Evening Activities begin at 7pm.

First Night: Campfire with S'mores
Night Hike
Carnival

Students will rotate through all activities



Second Night: Cabin Idol* (all students)
Human Hungry Hippos
Glow in the Dark Whiffle Ball
Night time Capture the Flag
Trust Walk

Students will get one of the activities



*Each cabin will prepare, practice & perform a song or cheer in front of our judges. Who will be our Cabin Idol Winner this year???

More details to come in English classes.

