

# 2009 Nature Discovery Programs Youth Summer Camps

A Unique Combination of Recreation and Education  
For Children Ages 5 through 12



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## 2009 Nature Discovery Programs Schedule Register Early-Class rosters fill quickly!

The popular youth summer Nature Discovery Programs (NDP) return this summer. These specialty weeks combine education and recreation into a fun-filled week. Registration begins on Monday, January 5, 2009 for Parks members. Non-members can register beginning on Monday, February 2, 2009. You may use Visa, MasterCard or Discover to register for a class. **Please call the York County Parks at 717-840-7440 to register.** Specific questions on the activities for all programs should be addressed to Jeri Jones, Program Coordinator at 717-840-7226.

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<b><u>NDP 1</u></b>	July 21 - 24	9:00 – 11:30 <b>OR</b> 1:00 - 3:30 p.m.
	Park: Nixon	Ages 5 & 6
	Cost: \$55.00	Class Size: 20

Classes introduce children to a variety of natural history topics using hands-on activities, props, hikes, stories, and take-home projects. The class will be educational as well as fun. Some themes may be repeated from 2008, but using different activities.

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<b><u>NDP 2</u></b>	August 4 - 7	9:00 – 11:30 a.m. <b>OR</b> 1:00 – 3:30 p.m.
	Park: Nixon	Ages 7 & 8
	Cost: \$55.00	Class Size: 20

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**DID YOU KNOW?** The York County Department of Parks and Recreation hires two seasonal staff to plan and run these programs. Many of those hired over the past 18 years have been college students. This experience is a great stepping-stone for college students who plan on working with children in the future or simply love children. **Please let us know if you're aware of anyone who is interested in working with children (paid or volunteer).**

Previous NDP staff members have not only graduated from college but some have received Masters and Doctoral degrees, have become full-time teachers, youth counselors, recreation directors and York County Park Naturalists. Interested applicants are encouraged to contact Jeri Jones at (717) 840-7226 for further details.

### **Quotes from NDP 2008:**

- "We wish this class could be two weeks long!"
- "The class is worth every cent combined with fun, education and making new friends"
- "This is a fantastic program for the kids!"
- "The staff has been wonderful"

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**NDP 3**

June 23 - 26

Parks: Nixon, Kain,  
& Rudy

Class Size: 20

Cost: \$95.00

Tues/Wed. – 9:00 - 3:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m. – Thursday to 8:00 a.m. Friday  
(sleepover)

Ages: 9-12

Enjoy a variety of activities and nature studies in different habitats. Tuesday, the class will meet at Nixon Park to do various nature-related programs. Wednesday, the students will meet at Lake Redman Activity Area for water-centered games and boating. Thursday, the class meets for a nocturnal-themed evening at Rudy Park before going to bed under the stars.

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**Archaeology Week 1**

July 6 – 10

9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

**Archaeology Week 2**

August 10 – 14

9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Parks: Nixon, Raab

Class Size: 24

Cost: \$125.00

Ages 9-12

Co-sponsored with the York County Heritage Trust (YCHT), this week of hard work, fun and education get right down to earth! Students learn the concepts of doing archaeology by conducting actual excavations at an archaeological site. Students will learn how to take notes, catalog artifacts and build displays. Interwoven between excavations, the class tours selected YCHT sites to show how archaeology ties into historical interpretation. A public hike to examine the excavations and the student's findings will be held on Thursday evening beginning at 6:30 p.m.

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**REGISTRATION IS SIMPLE!** Complete both the registration form and health form and return it with payment. Your registration is not official until full payment has been received. Mail registration to York County Parks, 400 Mundis Race Road, York, PA 17406. You may also register over the telephone if paying with Visa, MasterCard or Discover, but the completed health form must be returned to our office. Call (717) 840-7440 between 8:30 am – 4:30 pm, Monday through Friday. **Go to our web site at [www.yorkcountyparks.org](http://www.yorkcountyparks.org) to complete your application online and then mail in the form and payment.**

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**VOLUNTEERS** are sought to assist in all of the classes. If you are interested in being employed by the Parks for the summer or would love to volunteer, please contact, Jeri Jones, Program Coordinator at (717) 840-7226. Those who volunteer do so because they love giving back to the community, like to work with children, have an interest in the outdoors or area history.

2009 NATURE DISCOVERY PROGRAMS REGISTRATION FORM

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For specific questions concerning a session or session(s), please contact Jeri Jones, York County Parks Program Coordinator at (717) 840-7226. Do not use this telephone number for registration. ***The age limit on all sessions is strictly enforced, no exceptions. Please, one child per form!***

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ (as of class date)

**Birth Date and Location:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name to be placed on Name Badge (if different from above)** \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to enter my child for the following session(s):

_____ NDP 1	July 21-24	9-11:30 a.m.	\$ 55.00
_____ NDP 1	July 21-24	1-3:30 p.m.	\$ 55.00
_____ NDP 2	August 4-7	9-11:30 a.m.	\$ 55.00
_____ NDP 2	August 4-7	1-3:30 p.m.	\$ 55.00
_____ NDP 3	June 23-26	Varied	\$ 95.00
_____ Archaeology Week 1	July 6-10	9 a.m. – 3 p.m.	\$125.00
_____ Archaeology Week 2	August 10-14	9 a.m. – 3 p.m.	\$125.00

Total Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Make checks payable to York County Parks

I am using (circle one)      VISA      MASTERCARD      **DISCOVER (new for 2009)**

Card Number \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_

(Complete health form on reverse side)

# HEALTH INFORMATION

(PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN WITH REGISTRATION)

(Note: If you have a special needs student, please let us know so we can send you another health form)

STUDENT' S NAME (Name to appear on nametag) \_\_\_\_\_

AGE (as of class date)\_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Class Enrolled In: \_\_\_\_ NDP 1 AM\_\_\_\_ PM\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_ NDP 3

\_\_\_\_ NDP 2 AM\_\_\_\_ PM\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ Archaeology Week 1 \_\_\_\_ Archaeology Week 2

EMERGENCY CONTACT NAME \_\_\_\_\_

DAYTIME TELEPHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

PHYSICIAN' S NAME \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

ANY MEDICAL CONDITIONS AND MEDICATIONS WE NEED TO KNOW ABOUT?

\_\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_\_ NO

IF YES, PLEASE EXPLAIN: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

IS THE STUDENT ALLERGIC TO ANY ITEMS OR MEDICINE? \_\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_\_ NO

IF SO, PLEASE

EXPLAIN: \_\_\_\_\_

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RELEASE WAIVER: As the parent or guardian of the enrolled student, I grant my permission to the York County Department of Parks and Recreation, for the child to participate in all of the scheduled activities for the session(s). For special exceptions, I have made arrangements through the Parks Department to accommodate the student. I also give my permission to the Parks staff to administer emergency First Aid to the enrolled student as needed. The Parks staff will immediately telephone the emergency contact person following a serious incident.

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PARENT OR GUARDIAN

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE