



**SUMMER CAMP
2024**

GREEN ADVENTURES



New this year, **Green Adventures** is a 6 week program geared toward younger gardeners. Connecting youth to nature is more essential than ever for today's children. These programs help build connections to nature and get kids outside and moving. We will explore our gardens, the natural world, eat the rainbow, and of course, play in the dirt!

Our camps are focused on learning through having fun in nature with activities such as scavenger hunts, nature-based art projects & STEAM projects, groups games, and garden skills. There will be an educational theme each day, sewn throughout the day's activities. Our goal is that participants will learn through a horticultural lens aimed at lessons taught by nature. Themes this summer include, but are not limited to: seeds, soil fun, pollinators & flowers, eating the rainbow, garden bugs and beasties.

We invite youth to join us exactly as they are at the WWC Gardens for a time filled with community, learning, and exploration of this beautiful natural world. Our team works diligently to ensure fun, inclusion, & safety.

Who.....JMG for students entering grades 2 & 3 in fall of 2024

Where...Wittenbach Wege Center Gardens

When..... June 11, 18, 25 July 9, 16, 23 from 9:30-12:00

Cost.....\$150

How... **To Sign Up..Follow the link to our Sign-Up-Genius to reserve your spot by May 24.**

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090E4EAEAF22ABFB6-48801700-2024#/>

Registration forms will be sent after signing up. **Forms AND \$100 deposit due by MAY 30.**

Final camp fees due on June 11.

Questions: contact Courtney Cheers at ccheers@lowellschools.com or 616-987-2565

GREEN ADVENTURES CAMP 2024

Registration Information for GREEN ADVENTURES Camp 2024

- Green Adventures camp runs 6 weeks from 9:30-12:00
June 11, 18, 25
July 9, 16, 23
- **Camp fee is \$150:** includes all materials, t-shirt.
- **Sign up by MAY 24!** [https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090E4EAEAF22ABFB6-48801700-2024#/#/](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090E4EAEAF22ABFB6-48801700-2024#/)
- **Registration forms and deposit due May 30.** Please fill out one registration form for each camper. After June 5, sign-ups without deposit will open up to the waiting list. Cooking is part of some sessions and we work with honeybees, please make sure to fill out the ALLERGY portion of the registration.
- Campers will be responsible for bringing a snack each day camp meets.
- Camp size is a maximum of 16 students with a minimum of 8 students.
- Camp drop off begins at 9:20 am. Children are expected to be picked up no later than 12:10 pm.
- No camp the week of July 4th
- **Your Child's Safety:** We are serious about maintaining a safe learning environment for your child. All program instructors are either employees of Lowell Area Schools or volunteers and have participated in criminal background and driving record checks. Activities involve working on uneven surfaces, bending, twisting and walking outdoors. Persons with limited mobility and sensitivity to the sun and heat should consider these factors. If individualized attention is needed for campers with special needs, please contact Courtney Cheers to discuss options.
- Most of camp days will take place outside. Please dress for the weather and plan to be outside—layers are recommended!
- **Cancellations:** Camps will be held with a minimum of 8 students and a maximum of 16. Cancellations with a full refund will be taken up until **June 5, 2024**. After this date, cancellations will be charged a \$40.00 fee. Cancellation fees will be automatically deducted from any due refund. Parents will be notified by **May 30, 2024** if a camp will be cancelled due to low registration. If this occurs, full refunds will be issued.
- **Student and adult volunteers are needed for summer camps—Contact Courtney if interested!**
- Contact Courtney Cheers with registration or volunteering questions at ccheers@lowellschools.com or 616-987-2565.



Wittenbach Wege Center—Agriscience & Environmental Education
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WITTENBACH WEGE CENTER – SUMMER CAMP REGISTRATION



Camper Information

Date: _____

Camper's Full Name: _____

Parent/Guardian's Name: _____

Address: _____

Street Address

Apartment/Unit #

City

State

ZIP Code

Cell Phone: (____) _____ Day Time Phone: (____) _____

Work Phone: (____) _____ Best Number to be Reached at: Day Cell Work

E-mail _____

Circle T-Shirt Size
Youth: YM YL YXL
Adult: S M L XL

Grade Entering in Fall 2024: _____ Birth Date: _____

Emergency Contacts

Full Name: _____ Full Name: _____

Relationship to Camper: _____ Relationship to Camper: _____

Phone Number: (____) _____ Phone Number: (____) _____

Camp Information

Camp Choices (please check one): _____ Camp Fee: \$ _____

_____ Green Adventures—(\$50 deposit/\$150 total) (**entering grades 2, 3**). 6 Tuesdays: June 11, 18, 25, July 9, 16, 23
(9:30-12:00)

_____ JMN—Audubon Adventures (\$50 deposit/\$100 total) (**entering grades 3, 4, 5**). 3 Wednesdays: June 12, 19, 26
(9:00—12:30)

_____ Junior Master Gardener (**entering grades 4, 5, 6**) & JMG—Garden Gurus (**entering grades 6, 7, 8**).
(\$100 deposit/\$275 total) 8 weeks: May 30, June 13, 20, 25, 27, July 11, 16, 18, 25, 30, Aug 1

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Deposits due May 30, 2024. Please mail or drop off your registration and deposit (checks made payable to Lowell Area Schools) to: Courtney Cheers, WWC Director, 11715 Vergennes SE, Lowell, MI 49331 (616) 987-2565 or ccheers@lowellschools.com

Additional Information

How did you hear about this camp? _____

Does your child have any allergies (food or environmental)? If so, please list. _____

Parent Agreement and Photo Waiver

****Camp drop off begins 10 minutes prior to start time. Children are expected to be picked up no later than 10 minutes after camp end time.**

I give my permission to allow the Wittenbach/Wege Center & Lowell Area Schools to photograph my child for the purposes of evaluating and marketing our summer camps. I understand that images of my child will not be sold or used to produce materials for profit or sale.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

The Wittenbach Wege Center - Agriscience and Environmental Education - is located approximately 18 miles east of Grand Rapids at 11715 Vergennes SE, Lowell, Michigan, across the street from the Lowell High School. Contact ccheers@lowellschools.com or 616-987-2565 for directions. The center is funded by Lowell Area Schools.

Lowell Area Schools is an affirmative action, equal-opportunity employer. Programs and materials are open to all without regard to race, color, national origin, gender, gender identity, religion, age, height, weight, disability, political beliefs, sexual orientation, marital status, family status or veteran status.

Medical Authorization and Release Agreement

I, _____, the parent/legal guardian of _____,
(Print your first and last name) (Print child's first and last name)

consent to my child's participation in the specified education programs. In an emergency I can be reached at the numbers listed above. In the event that I cannot be reached, I authorize the Wittenbach/Wege Agriscience and Environmental Education Center and Lowell Area Schools staff to authorize or refuse necessary emergency treatment for my child.

I further agree to indemnify, protect and hold harmless the Wittenbach/Wege Agriscience and Environmental Education Center and Lowell Area Schools, its officers, board members, supervisors, agents, servants, employees and all other persons or organizations volunteering services without charge to supervise or chaperone the children who participate in this activity from any claim or liability whatsoever, including, but not limited to personal injury, property damage, court costs, attorney's fees and interest, however caused, even if caused by the negligence of WWC and LAS Personnel, as a result of my child's participation.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date