Let's Go WILD!

SUMMER CAMP BROCHURE 2024

Woodford Cedar Run Wildlife Refuge offers week-long, nature-based camp sessions from June 24 to August 16
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We’re so excited you are interested in learning more about camp at Cedar Run this summer! There’s so much to do it’s hard to list it all here, but we hope this guide gives you an idea of what to expect.

Our outdoor covered Picnic Pavilion is camp headquarters, but our facilities also include a Nature Center with classroom, resident reptiles and Pinelands exhibits, a nature playscape, and an outdoor Wildlife Housing Area with over 50 Wildlife Ambassadors. Cedar Run is the perfect spot for exploring the outdoors with 3 miles of hiking trails through 171 acres of upland forests and wetlands with a 7-acre cedar lake that’s great for pond exploration!

Be sure to let us know if you have any questions or concerns that we don’t cover here—we look forward to seeing you and your children this summer.

All the best,

RACHEL NDETO
Camp Director
camp@cedarrun.org
Why Choose Cedar Run?

- 171 acres of Pinelands
- over 50 resident animals
- 3+ miles of wooded nature trails
- Stream, swamp, forest, field and lake sites
- PLUS experienced staff to help you explore it all!

About Camp

Walk in the woods, dig in the dirt, and explore Cedar Run during our week-long nature camps. Daily activities include hands-on experiences and experiments, visits with native wildlife, and creative play. There’s a special session just for you. Don’t miss out, sign-up today!

Our Camp Director

Miss Rachel has been working with summer camps for over fifteen years and this is her seventh summer at Cedar Run. This is her fourth year as Summer Camp Director and she is looking forward to another amazing summer! In addition to overseeing camp, Rachel is the Assistant Director of Education, leading programs for schools, groups, and families throughout the community. She holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Outdoor Recreation from Lock Haven University.

Cedar Run Members Save!

Cedar Run depends on its members. Family Level members and above save $25 on camp registration. Sign-up for several weeks of camp and the membership pays for itself! Not already a member? Year-long membership can be completed via our website, cedarrun.org/membership

Our Camp Staff

Each camp group will be led by two Camp Counselor staff, and CIT (Counselor-in-Training) volunteers. These energetic leaders provide a safe, fun, and educational outdoor experience for campers of all ages. All Counselors are First Aid and CPR certified, required to pass a background check, and have experience working with children in camp and outdoor settings. They are integral to our mission to inspire kids to explore, respect and protect nature.
A Day at Camp

Cedar Run offers week-long camp sessions that run from June 24 to August 16.

Although each day at camp is different—creepy crawlies to find, tracks to follow, rainy day puddles to jump in—here’s an idea of what you can expect.

- 8:45-9:15 am - Camper drop-off and free time
- 9:15 am- Opening activities and intro to the day’s theme
- 9:45 am- Exploratory hikes, lessons, hands-on experiments, snack
- 12:00 pm- Pick-up for half-day campers; Lunch and free time for full-day campers
- 1:00 pm- Traditional camp games, hikes, crafts
- 2:45 pm- End of the day wrap-up, journals
- 3:00 pm- Full-day camper pick-up
- 3:00-4:00pm- Aftercare available for full-day campers for an additional fee

Pricing per camper

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Discounts Stack!

Member Discount
- Family Membership Level and above get $25 off per week registration.

Early Bird Discount
- Register by April 15th and save $15 per week registration.

Sponsorships Available
- Apply for a Sponsorship and send your child to camp at reduced or no cost to you!
- Applications are accepted on a rolling basis.
- See page 14 for more information or visit our camp page at cedarrun.org
Calendar

Important Dates

January 8th
• Members Preview Camp Registration Opens - Family Members and above can register early!

January 15th
• General Camp Registration Opens

April 15th
• Last Day to register with Early Bird pricing

June 19 or 20th
• CIT Orientation

June 24th
• First Day of Camp 2024!

July 4th
• Independence day - Camp will run as normal

August 16th
• Last Day of Camp 2024

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Pre K
Fledglings

July 1-5*, July 29-August 2
9:00am-12:00pm

Half-Day sessions only
3 year old campers must be turning 4 by October 1st

For these little ones, we begin to investigate the woods through games, hikes, animal encounters, crafts and song. Possibilities for fun are endless! Campers MUST be potty trained.

*Camps will run as normal on Thursday, July 4th.

K-1st grade
Polliwogs

July 15-19, July 22-26
9:00am-3:00pm

July 29-August 2
9:00am-12:00pm
Half-Day session only

Here’s a way to open the eyes of young ones to the wonders of nature. Budding naturalists will enjoy nature-filled activities using all of their senses. They will explore the natural world around them through play, walks, stories, games and crafts.

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2nd-3rd grade

Forest Frolic

June 24-28, July 22-26
9:00am-3:00pm

Campers discover what it feels like to be animals surviving in the woods. They’ll look for the things that make the Refuge special. Flip over rocks and logs as we look for hidden wild treasures. Campers will be shocked by the exciting creatures we will find.

Pond Paradise

July 15-19, July 29-August 2
9:00am-3:00pm

What creatures lurk in the waters of Cedar Run? Campers will explore the puddles, ponds and swamps. We will follow a frog’s footsteps, find bug-eating plants and see what else awaits us. It will be a wild and wet week of mysterious creatures and water wonders.

4th-5th grade

Awesome Adventurers

June 24-28, July 22-26
9:00am-3:00pm

Are your campers ready for an unforgettable adventure? With their team they will explore Cedar Run and find themselves challenged to “survive” a week in the Pines. Campers will build a survival shelter in the woods, use a map and compass, go in search of the Jersey Devil and see some animals too!

Check out our STEAM Camps on page 9 for more adventures for this age group!
Now including an overnight stay at Cedar Run for both Jersey Devil Adventure and Earth Avengers camps!

**Jersey Devil Adventure**

*June 24-28*
*9:00am-3:00pm*

Do you have what it takes to survive the Pinelands at night? During this short week of camp, campers will take their survival skills to the next level! During the day we will hone our skills with fun activities and exciting adventures.

On Thursday, bring a tent and stay for the night! We’ll provide dinner over a campfire, go on a hike in the dark, and camp overnight under the stars and pines!

**Earth Avengers**

*July 15-19*
*9:00am-3:00pm*

Discover all you can about the different habitats and animals at Cedar Run. Explore underground, high in the sky and everywhere in between. Campers will work to complete a special conservation project at the Refuge.

On Thursday, bring a tent and spend the night! After dinner over the fire, we'll explore the woods in the dark, and see who might be hanging out with us before we camp under the stars!
STEAM Camps
In these special interest camps, we will engage in STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, Math) and nature inspired activities and experiments. Nature exploration with modern technology opens the door for real-world applications and exciting adventures.

Kids STEAM Ahead!
July 8-12, August 5-9
9:00am-3:00pm
Full STEAM Ahead with this camp for grades 4-8!

STEAM Jr!
July 8-12, August 5-9
9:00am-3:00pm
Give your young campers a head start in the sciences with this STEAM camp for grades 1-3.

K-5th grade
Discovery by the Day
July 1-5*, August 12-16
9:00am-3:00pm
Cedar Run understands that some families can’t commit to a full week. With our “Discovery by the Day” sessions, you can sign-up for whichever days you’d like to accommodate your scheduling needs. New activities are planned each day so each child can participate. This is a combined group for campers entering grades K-5th only.

Daily themes:
• Monday- Wildlife Wanderings
• Tuesday- Wild About Art and Experiments
• Wednesday- Eww Bugs!
• Thursday- Survival Adventures
• Friday- Water, Water Everywhere

*Camps will run as normal on Thursday, July 4th.

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Important Details

- Grade is determined by the grade level your child is entering in September 2024.
- Payment in full is due at the time of registration, which includes a $35 non-refundable processing fee per registration as part of your total.
- Registration must be fully submitted by midnight on 4/15/2024 to receive the Early Bird Discount.
- Online registration includes a health form and waiver that must be completed for each camper two weeks before the start of camp.
- Sessions for grades 2-8 can accommodate a maximum of 20 campers; grades K-1 a max of 15; preK a max of 12. Sign-up early to guarantee your spot!

Camper Requirements

Due to the outdoor and exploratory nature of our camp program, campers must be able to move about on uneven terrain. Campers are expected to meaningfully participate in age-appropriate activities, including nature study. All campers must follow stated behavior expectations and safety rules.

The Camp Director reserves the right to dismiss a camper when in their judgment the camper’s behavior interferes with the rights of others, or the smooth functioning of the group or activity, or violates the camp’s behavior policy. In such cases, no refunds will be provided. If you have questions regarding your child’s ability to participate in our camp program, please contact the Camp Director.
Registration Information

Registration opens in January! Don't wait, these camps will fill quickly!

To Register for Camp
Go ONLINE for easy and paperless registration! See cedarrun.org/summer-camps for details.

Registration can also be made using our “print and mail” form found at cedarrun.org/summer-camps

Checks can be made out to “Cedar Run” and mailed or dropped off to:

Attn: Summer Camp
Woodford Cedar Run Wildlife Refuge
4 Sawmill Road
Medford, NJ 08055

Registration Confirmation
A confirmation email containing important documents and information will be sent once your camper’s registration has been processed. Please allow 5-10 business days to process.

Session Transfers
Session transfer requests will be honored, if there is space available, and if a request is made at least two weeks prior to the session start date, after which transfers are not permitted.

Prorate Policy
Cedar Run camps run on a weekly basis and registrations are for the full week. Cedar Run will not prorate camp weeks with the exception of the Discovery by the Day camp weeks.
Cancellation Policy
Cedar Run reserves the right to cancel a camp session due to insufficient enrollment. If Cedar Run cancels a session, all fees will be fully refunded. If you remove your child from a camp session before it begins, refunds are as follows:
- A full refund (less the $35 non-refundable processing fee) will be issued if cancellation request is received no later than 30 days prior to the start of the child’s scheduled camp.
- A 50% refund will be issued if cancellation request is received 14 to 29 days prior to the start of the child’s scheduled camp.
- No refund will be issued if cancellation request is received later than 14 days prior to the start of the child’s scheduled camp.

Financial Aid
Financial assistance is available based on need and available funds, and is generally limited to one session per child; however, all applications are considered. Applications are accepted on a rolling basis until April 15th. To fill out the financial assistance form, please visit cedarrun.org

Membership Discounts
Cedar Run members at the Family Level or above receive the discounted rate. To qualify, your membership must be current through your camper’s last session, and you must be the parent, grandparent, or legal guardian of the camper being enrolled. Membership can be purchased, upgraded or renewed at the time of registration.

Additional Information
If you have any questions, please email camp@cedarrun.org or call (856) 983-3329 ext. 103 to reach the Education Department.