

GRADE 5

NATURESCHOOL

Where: Kerry Wood Nature Centre

When: September–June

Duration: Variable

Cost: Variable

Maximum Number of Students: Your Grade 5 population

Indoor/Outdoor: Mostly outside, please dress for the weather and wear proper footwear

Curriculum Connection:

- Science Unit A Electricity and Magnetism
 - Science Unit D Weather Watch
 - Science Unit E Wetland Ecosystems
 - English Language Arts
 - Social Studies
 - Physical Education
- A full curriculum fit is available.*

Description: NatureSchool is a fresh, innovative way to immerse your Grade 5 population in nature and the environment across the curriculum. The Kerry Wood Nature Centre is uniquely equipped to handle your more challenging Science Curriculum topics; but that's not all NatureSchool has to offer. Your students will get a healthy dose of working and playing outside, collaborating with group members to achieve a common goal, and discovering new ways to problem solve. Personal reflection, group sharing, and active living are all integral parts of this week-long adventure. *For more curriculum and cost information, please click the NatureSchool link on our website School & Youth page.*

HISTORICAL SANCTUARY WALK

Where: Kerry Wood Nature Centre

When: Year-round

Duration: 1–1.5 hours

Cost: \$99 per class for 1 hour programs, \$110 per class for 1.5 hour programs

Maximum Number of Students: 100 (3 classes)

Indoor/Outdoor: Entirely outside, please dress for the weather and wear proper footwear

Curriculum Connection:

- Social Studies
- English Language Arts
- Physical Education

Description: We'll lead your students on a themed nature walk in the Gaetz Lakes Sanctuary. Suggested themes include:

- Early settlement of Central Alberta and establishment of the Sanctuary
- Stories and adventures from author Kerry Wood

NATURE DISCOVERY WALK

Where: Kerry Wood Nature Centre or at your school

When: Year-round

Duration: 1–1.5 hours

Cost: \$99 per class for 1 hour programs, \$110 per class for 1.5 hour programs

Maximum Number of Students: 100 (3 classes)

Indoor/Outdoor: Entirely outside, please dress for the weather and wear proper footwear

Curriculum Connection:

- Science
- Physical Education

Description: We'll lead your students on a themed nature walk in the Gaetz Lakes Sanctuary or in a natural area near your school. Suggested themes include:

- Animal tracking
- Homes and habitats of common Central Alberta animals
- Seasonal changes and seasonal adaptations of animals
- Camping/survival skills
- Weather observations

STARRY PLANETARIUM SHOW

Where: Kerry Wood Nature Centre or at your school

When: Year-round

Duration: 1–1.5 hours

Cost: \$110 per class for 1 hour programs, \$120 per class for 1.5 hour programs

Maximum Number of Students: 25 (1 class)

Indoor/Outdoor: Entirely inside

Curriculum Connection:

- Science
- English Language Arts
- Social Studies

Description: Explore the night sky during daylight hours with our mobile planetarium. Recognize that stars come in different colours. Find the patterns in the stars that we call constellations and watch how these patterns move with the seasons. Listen to the stories behind the pictures in the sky.

WHOOO... KNOWS OWLS?

Where: Kerry Wood Nature Centre or at your school

When: Year-round

Duration: 1.5 hours

Cost: \$130 per class

Maximum Number of Students: 30 (1 class)

Indoor/Outdoor: Entirely inside

Curriculum Connection:

- Science

Description: Discover the fascinating adaptations of owls and view local species close-up with our mounted specimens. Dissect real owl pellets, and learn about their food and hunting habits.

SNOWSHOE ADVENTURE

Where: Kerry Wood Nature Centre

When: November–April, weather dependent (requires at least 2 inches of snow on the ground)

Duration: 1–1.5 hours

Cost: \$99 per class for 1 hour programs, \$110 per class for 1.5 hour programs

Maximum Number of Students: 35 (1 class)

Indoor/Outdoor: Entirely outside, please dress for the weather and wear proper footwear (boots with ankle support and no high heels)

Curriculum Connection:

- Science
- Social Studies
- Physical Education

Description: Learn the basics of snowshoeing with one of our trained interpreters. Once everyone is wearing their pair of snowshoes, we'll challenge you to a few activities that will put your snowshoe coordination to the test. Finish off with a guided snowshoe nature walk through the forest.

EDIBLE PLANT WALK

Where: Kerry Wood Nature Centre or at your school

When: May–October

Duration: 1–1.5 hours

Cost: \$99 per class for 1 hour programs, \$110 per class for 1.5 hour programs

Maximum Number of Students: 70 (2 classes)

Indoor/Outdoor: Entirely outside, please dress for the weather and wear proper footwear

Curriculum Connection:

- Science
- Social Studies
- Physical Education

Description: There is a world of yummy treats right on our doorstep — if you know where to look! Your class will explore the plants that wildlife use for their daily survival, as well as a few basic species that are safe for us to eat, and how to identify them. (Note: due to mimicry and the potential for harm with misidentification, information about wild mushrooms is not included in this talk.)

POND STUDY

Where: McKenzie Trails Recreation Area or at your school if you have a wetland nearby (e.g. Bower Ponds)

When: April–September

Duration: 2 hours

Cost: \$130 per class

Maximum Number of Students: 100 (3 classes)

Indoor/Outdoor: Entirely outside, please dress for the weather and wear sturdy footwear that can get a little muddy (no flip flops)

Curriculum Connection:

- Science Unit E Wetland Ecosystems
- Physical Education

Description: One of our most popular and immersive programs. Discover the dynamics of life in a wetland through pond dipping and an interactive food chain game.

HISTORICAL DISCOVERY TOUR

Where: Fort Normandeau

When: May–October

Duration: 1–1.5 hours

Cost: \$99 per class for 1 hour programs, \$110 per class for 1.5 hour programs

Maximum Number of Students: 100 (3 classes)

Indoor/Outdoor: Mostly outside or in a building with no heat, please dress for the weather and wear proper footwear

Curriculum Connection:

- Social Studies

Description: Our interpreters will take your class back to the 1880s and introduce them to the key characters and settings of Red Deer's early years.

OF TWO PEOPLES

Where: Fort Normandeau

When: May–October

Duration: 1.5 hours

Cost: \$110 per class

Maximum Number of Students: 100 (3 classes)

Indoor/Outdoor: Mostly outside, please dress for the weather and wear proper footwear

Curriculum Connection:

- Social Studies Unit 5.2 Histories and Stories of Ways of Life in Canada

Description: A lively fur trade game illustrates interactions between the First Nations, Métis, and European peoples.