

Program Options and Fees

Our programs are specially designed to strengthen listening and observing skills while teaching students about the natural world. Programs generally last about 45 minutes and are available any time during the year. Field trips can be scheduled to Oak Knoll or can be conducted at your site.

You Come to Us

Field Trips to Oak Knoll

Through guided exploration of our woods, wetlands, lake and fields, students will learn to become aware of the varied natural world surrounding them. The programs will mix hands on activities with, experiments, games, stories and songs. And what's a day at Oak Knoll without a little ponding fun!

Fee: \$5 per student (minimum of 10 students)

We Go to You

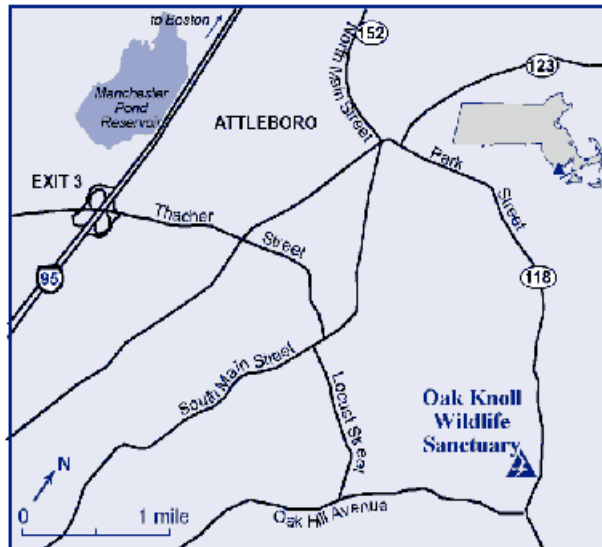
Classroom Presentations and Outdoor Explorations at Your Site

Staff from Oak Knoll will visit your class to provide students with an understanding and appreciation of the natural world. Activities may include songs, stories, experiments, and educational games. Fine and motor gross movements are also emphasized in our presentations. If possible, we'll explore the woods and/or fields at your site. Observation skills and seasonal elements are emphasized.

**Fee: \$ 50 for a 45 minute program
\$80 for two programs**

Directions to Oak Knoll Wildlife Sanctuary

Take Rt I-95 to exit 5 (Rt 152). Turn left off the exit ramp and take a right onto Rt 152 south. After 1.5 miles at the center of town, turn left onto Park Street. Follow Park Street for 2.7 miles, road will curve right. Pass the LaSalette Shrine and Handy Street on the right. The sanctuary is located on the right side. Look for a white colonial house and Mass Audubon signs.



Mass Audubon is the largest conservation organization in New England, concentrating its efforts on protecting the nature of Massachusetts for people and wildlife. Mass Audubon protects more than 30,000 acres of land and maintains 43 wildlife sanctuaries that are open to the public and serve as the base for its conservation, education, and advocacy work across the state. Visit www.massaudubon.org to learn more.

The Ottmar family donated **Oak Knoll** to Mass Audubon in 1997. The sanctuary protects 42 acres of freshwater marsh, old field, red maple swamp, and lake habitats. It is located just down the street from LaSalette Shrine in Attleboro.



Oak Knoll Wildlife Sanctuary



Pre-K and Kindergarten School Programs

EXPLORE ALL THAT'S NEW AT OAK KNOLL



- *NEW TRAILS
- *NEW HABITAT
- *NEW CLASSES

ABOUT OUR PROGRAMS

Oak Knoll's Wildlife Programs for young children provide wonderful learning opportunities for your students. The programs are a mix of hands-on activities, experiments, songs, demonstrations, stories and nature walks. Our programs are specially designed to strengthen listening and observation skills while teaching students about the natural world. If you would like a certain topic taught that is not covered in this brochure, contact us and we'll work with you to develop a curriculum that meets your needs. Please note that programs marked "outdoor" require school grounds or nature areas for best results.

Contact Sarah Slack at
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to discuss your program needs.

Seasonal Suggestions

Anytime: Do the Locomotion, Snakes, Turtles, and Salamanders, Animal Life and the Season

Winter: Groundhog Goes to Bed

Spring: Life Underground, Incredible Insects

Summer: Hidden Critters

Fall: A Sense of Nature, Oh Deer?!

PROGRAMS :



Hidden Critters (outdoor)

Learn about animal camouflage and why hiding keeps animals safe. On our trail walk we'll collect hidden frogs, rabbits, and chipmunks while searching for live examples of camouflaged creatures and their homes.



Animal Life and the Season (outdoor)

Look for signs of the season. Observe how the plants and animals at Oak Knoll respond to changes in the weather. Students will compare their active bodies to those of sleeping animals while learning about hibernation and winter survival. They'll learn how insulation works with our "blubber glove". Activities change based on the time of year but will focus on outdoor explorations!



Birds, Birds, Birds

Children will be introduced to the wonderful world of birds! Through dress-up role play we'll find out what makes a bird a bird. We'll handle bird artifacts and learn all about feathers, nests, and beaks. Finally, we'll fine tune listening skills when we learn about bird songs.



Oh Deer?!

Have you ever wondered what it's like to be a deer? In this class, we'll learn where deer live, what they eat, and what makes them special. We'll make deer tracks, feel a deerskin, and pretend to eat like deer! A puppet show about these local residents will complete the program.

Life Underground (outdoor)



Turn over rocks and rotting logs and see the amazing critters that call these places home. Students will learn to identify some of these interesting "litter critters" while learning that small



Incredible Insects

Students will learn about the exciting world of insects in this program filled with songs, movement and insect models. Our bug collection will stimulate kids to answer the question, What is an insect? We'll finish with an insect scavenger hunt outside.



A Sense of Nature (outdoor)

People use their senses constantly. In this program students will be encouraged to use their nose, eyes, ears, and fingers to explore the world around them as they learn about how animals use their four sense.



Snakes, Turtles and Salamanders

Live animals and real animal artifacts will help kids learn all about these cold-blooded creatures. Demonstrations will show students what makes them what they are. We'll discover how these animals move, feed, and stay warm.

Do the Locomotion



Movement, measurement, and math are combined in this program about locomotion. Animals move in different ways and we'll imitate birds, snakes, frogs, deer, bugs and more. In our "Animal Olympics" we'll compare our movement to amazing animal feats. A great introduction to simple math and measuring, this program will get kids hopping!!