BROAD MEADOW BROOK
NATURE CAMP
Welcome to Broad Meadow Brook Nature Camp

At Broad Meadow Brook Nature Camp in Worcester, youth can tap into their natural curiosity. Campers ages 4.5–16 are encouraged to be themselves as they investigate different habitats, ecosystems, and wildlife species at the sanctuary.

Most of our days are spent outside exploring our surroundings and getting dirty. Camp fun will include outdoor exploration, noncompetitive games, songs, and stories. While no two weeks will be the same, some of our favorite camper activities will take place every week.

To provide equal access to camp for everyone, we request that you not register for more than four sessions of camp. We are happy to place you on a waitlist for extra weeks and will open up spaces to waitlisted campers on May 1.

A DAY AT CAMP

8:00 am   Optional Before Camp Program
9:00 am   Camper drop-off, health screening & activities
9:30 am   Opening Circle
9:45 am   Activity Block #1
10:30 am  Snack
10:45 am  Activity Block #2
12:00 pm  Lunch & free play time
1:00 pm   Activity Block #3
2:00 pm   Activity Block #4
3:00 pm   Closing Circle
3:15–3:45 pm Camper pick-up
3:30–5:30pm Optional After Camp Program

Activity Blocks may include hiking, nature exploration, crafts, games, and more.

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Call 508-753-6087
Email bmbrookcamp@massaudubon.org
Visit massaudubon.org/broadmeadowcamp
OUR CAMP STAFF
Our dedicated and knowledgeable staff is made up of professional teachers and naturalists, college students, and junior counselors. Staff members are all age 18 or older and junior counselors are 16 and older. This specialized team works to foster a sense of community among campers and build connections with nature. Counselors are carefully selected based on their maturity, enthusiasm, teaching experience, natural history knowledge, and deep commitment to engaging campers with nature. All staff undergo background checks, are certified in CPR and first aid, and receive training in health and safety procedures, child development, natural history, and environmental education best practices. Mass Audubon requires that all staff, regardless of their work location, disclose their vaccination status. Proof of vaccination status is required immediately upon hire.

OUR CAMP DIRECTOR
Lisa Carlin (she/her) has been the camp director since 2006 and LOVES camp! She attended overnight camp as a child, where she later became a counselor. She brings her love and passion for being outdoors and exploring the natural world to all the campers and staff at Broad Meadow Brook. Lisa believes that all kids are amazing and wants to help campers be the best they can be alongside her talented and caring staff. She can’t wait to see you and your kids at camp this summer.

OUR COMMITMENT TO DIVERSITY & INCLUSION
At Mass Audubon Camps, we strive to create a safe, inclusive, and caring camp environment where each person is respected and supported in their learning and growth. We believe that diversity—both in nature and in our human communities—is essential to strength, resilience, and innovation, and we are committed to recognizing the unique contributions of each community member.

COVID-19 SAFETY
The health and welfare of our campers and staff remains our highest priority. We feel confident that the success of Mass Audubon Camps in designing and offering a safe summer of camping in 2020 and 2021 will guide us into another great summer in 2022. We will continue to stay informed and engaged with the work of the Massachusetts Department of Public Health and the American Camp Association to ensure best practices with regard to staying safe as we move through the developing phases of the COVID-19 pandemic. For the latest updates on COVID-19 safety at camp, visit massaudubon.org/camps.

SLIDING SCALE PRICING
Mass Audubon is committed to ensuring that every family that wants their child to experience summer camp should have the opportunity to do so. A sliding scale model helps us work toward that goal through an easy and dependable process for families. To learn more, see page 7 and visit massaudubon.org/camps.
Before & After Camp Options

BEFORE CAMP: 8:00–9:00 am
See sliding scale on page 7 for pricing

Campers will spend their pre-camp morning engaged in quiet games and crafts. Please note: Breakfast is not provided. Parents should ensure that campers have eaten a hearty breakfast at home; you can bring a small snack.

AFTER CAMP: 3:30–5:30 pm
See sliding scale on page 7 for pricing

Campers will have a snack (brought from home) and make crafts, go hiking, or play games. Available for all campers except Bear Cubs.

Campers are typically away from the building until 4:45 pm. Please plan pick-up between 4:45 and 5:30 pm.

“Thank you to all the counselors who made this an inclusive, fun, and nurturing learning environment!” — Camp Parent

Camp Family Appreciation Night

Wednesday, August 3
7:00–8:00 pm

Camp staff will entertain you and your campers with songs and skits! If regulations allow, we will gather (socially distant) in our field. If not, we will move to a virtual platform for a night of fun and entertainment!
THREE-DAY NATURE CAMP

This three-day mini-camp will introduce your child to the wonders of Broad Meadow Brook! Each day will have a different nature-related theme that will guide our explorations and activities. Arts and crafts, hiking, games, snack, and lunch (brought from home) will be a part of every day.

Bear Cubs
Ages 4.5–6
Counselor-to-Camper Ratio: 1 to 5

ONE-WEEK NATURE CAMP

Experience the wonder of nature at Broad Meadow Brook. Explore animal adaptations, climate change, birding, and how to respect and care for the Earth. Discover different habitats and wildlife around the sanctuary, play games, and make crafts, all while getting dirty and learning as you go!

Grasshoppers
Ages 5–6
Counselor-to-Camper Ratio: 1 to 5

Flickers
Ages 7–8
Counselor-to-Camper Ratio: 1 to 8

Mighty Oaks
Ages 9–11
Counselor-to-Camper Ratio: 1 to 10

Coyotes
Ages 12–15
June 20–24, July 5–8, July 11–15, July 25–29, August 8–12, August 22–26
Counselor-to-Camper Ratio: 1 to 10
SPECIALTY CAMP SESSIONS

Scientists of the Future
Ages 13–15
July 11–15, August 8–12
9:00 am–4:00 pm
See sliding scale on page 7 for pricing

Calling all environmentally-minded teens! Spend an entire week exploring outside doing authentic field work to collect and analyze data that scientists use to understand more about wildlife habitats, water resources, sustainability, and climate change. The week will be filled with outdoor discoveries and extended hikes, science experiments, and learning how to use science tools and laboratory equipment. If regulations allow, we will plan to travel in our van to explore local colleges and meet local scientists. Along the way, we will also explore career opportunities in environmental science and sustainability.

Campers may attend both weeks; topics will be similar, but the activities will be different.

Counselors-in-Training (CIT)
Ages 14–16
9:00 am–3:30 pm

Learn what it takes to be a camp counselor. Gain leadership skills, hands-on training, and develop a lesson plan, which you will present at camp. First-year CITs will attend the training session and choose between two and four weeks of camp to help lead sessions. CITs who have previously completed training may choose between three and five weeks of camp to lead sessions.

Contact the Camp Director, Lisa Carlin, at bmbrookcamp@massaudubon.org or 508-753-6087 ext. 5013 to request an application.

New CITs will pay for their training week, June 27–July 1, equivalent to one week of Nature Camp. See the sliding scale for One-Week Nature Camp on page 7 for pricing. Returning CITs have no fee.
REGISTRATION INFORMATION

TO REGISTER FOR CAMP
Call 508-753-6087
Visit massaudubon.org/broadmeadowcamp

REGISTRATION CONFIRMATION
A confirmation containing important documents and information will be sent once your camper’s registration has been processed.

DEPOSIT
A nonrefundable deposit is required to register for camp as follows: $50/camper/session. The deposit will be applied to your camp tuition and cannot be transferred to another camper, family, or camp location. If you are registering after May 2, payment in full is required (unless a payment plan has been established with the Camp Director).

REFUND POLICY
A full refund, minus the nonrefundable deposit, is provided to camp families who cancel in writing on or before May 2. After May 2 no refund is available. Deposits are not transferable, and refunds are not given for participant dismissal, failure to attend, absence, or sick days. If we must cancel a session, you will receive a full refund.

MEMBERSHIP & DISCOUNTS
Mass Audubon members at the Family level or above receive a 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 or renewed at the time of registration.

SLIDING SCALE
Under the sliding scale model, every family will enroll in camp at a tuition rate based on their annual gross income. At registration, you will have the opportunity to select the pricing that best fits your family’s gross income bracket. You will be asked to upload income verification documentation at a later time if you selected Tiers 1–4. Registrants at Tier 5 are not required to provide income verification. A deposit is due at the time of registration; the final balance and all paperwork are due by May 2, 2022. If cost is still a barrier under the tiered structure, financial assistance (in the form of scholarships) is also available.

FINANCIAL AID
We believe connection with the natural world should be available to all. If finances are getting in the way of a summer at Broad Meadow Brook Nature Camp, financial assistance is available based on demonstrated financial need and available funds. Scholarships are generally limited to one session per child; however, all applications are considered and will be accepted on a rolling basis. Payment plan options are also available. Please visit massaudubon.org/campforms to download a scholarship application.

IMPORTANT DEADLINES
All camp forms, waivers, and the balance of your camp tuition are due by May 2. If registering after May 2, payment in full is required and a specific camp form deadline will be set for you. A camper cannot attend camp and their spot is not guaranteed until all forms, waivers, and payments are completed (or a payment plan has been established). A fee of $20 per camper will be charged for incomplete or late forms and waivers.

CAMPER REQUIREMENTS
Camps are expected to be able to follow all COVID-19 safety protocols, to be determined by the start of camp based on the latest guidelines from the Massachusetts Department of Public Health. Visit massaudubon.org/camps for the latest information about COVID-19 safety at Mass Audubon Camps.

All campers must follow stated behavior expectations and safety rules. To ensure a successful camp experience, please discuss any pertinent information regarding your child’s needs with the Camp Director. We strive to make camp a great experience for all, and we can accommodate on a case-by-case basis. 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 violates the camp’s safety and behavior policies. In such cases, no refunds will be provided. If you have any questions regarding your child’s ability to participate in our camp program, please contact the Camp Director.

CAMP LICENSE
Our camp complies with the regulations of the Massachusetts Department of Public Health (105 CMR 430) and is licensed by the Worcester Board of Health.

ACA ACCREDITATION
We are proud to be accredited by the American Camp Association. Developed exclusively for the camp industry, this nationally recognized program focuses on program quality, health and safety, management, and camp operations.

CAMP POLICY REQUESTS
You may request copies of our background check, healthcare, discipline, bullying, and grievance policies at any time.

SESSION TRANSFERS
Session transfer requests will be honored if there is space available.
BUDDY REQUESTS
One buddy request per camper will be honored when possible. Both campers must be the same age and both must request each other. All buddy requests must be made in writing at least one week prior to the first day of camp. Please indicate on your registration form if you would like your camper to be placed with a friend of the same age.

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*To qualify for the Member rate, you must be a current Mass Audubon member at the Family level or above and be the parent, grandparent, or legal guardian of the camper being enrolled. You may join or renew your membership at the time of registration.
MORE FOR MEMBERS
Mass Audubon membership benefits don’t end when the summer’s over. Membership includes year-round free admission to our statewide network of wildlife sanctuaries, where the whole family can explore and enjoy the outdoors. Members also enjoy great savings on nature programs and gift shop purchases. Learn more at massaudubon.org/membership.

WE’RE HIRING!
For information on employment opportunities, visit massaudubon.org/jobs.

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—Camp Parent

KIDS TO CAMP
SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Help make camp attainable for even more kids with a gift to the Kids to Camp Fund.

DETAILS AT
massaudubon.org/kidstocamp

Mass Audubon is the largest nature-based conservation organization in New England. Founded in 1896 by two women who fought for the protection of birds, Mass Audubon carries on their legacy by focusing on the greatest challenges facing the environment today: the loss of biodiversity, inequitable access to nature, and climate change.

With the help of our 140,000 members and supporters, we protect wildlife, conserve and restore resilient land, advocate for impactful environmental policies, offer nationally recognized education programs for adults and children, and provide endless opportunities to experience the outdoors at our wildlife sanctuaries. Explore, find inspiration, and take action at massaudubon.org.

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There’s more to explore at Wildwood, Mass Audubon’s overnight camp in New Hampshire:

- Overnight Camp, ages 7–14
- Day Camp, ages 6–11
- Teen Adventure Trips, ages 14–17
- Environmental Leadership for Teens, ages 16–17
- Family Camp, all ages!

Visit massaudubon.org/wildwood or call 866-627-2267 to learn more.