

Lead educator Chris Eaton has worked with Mass Audubon for 25 years and is Preschool Director certified. Assistant Susan Crimer has decades of experience teaching young people and holds a Masters degree in Education. Chris, Susan, and support staff will introduce your children to social skills, kindergarten readiness skills, and the many wonders of the natural world.



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NATURE ADVENTURES



For Ages 3.5 to 6



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Wachusett Meadow Nature Adventures for Young Folks

The Nature Adventures for Young Folks program is designed to help young children feel comfortable and knowledgeable about the wonders of nature as they prepare for school. All-outdoor explorations, books, songs, games, and art projects center around a weekly nature theme. A varied curriculum allows children to attend for multiple years with little repetition. Group size is small, with an adult to child ratio of 1:5. Two enrollment options are available: once or twice weekly. **Pre-registration is required.**

We recommend registering early as spots fill quickly.





Schedule and Fees Choose one day or both days: Tuesdays 9:30am–1:30pm and/or Thursdays 9:30am–1:30pm Children will eat a packed lunch and snack each day.

Fee for each 4-hour seasonal session: FALL (14 weeks): \$475 member SPRING (14 weeks): \$475 member Nonmembers, please add \$65 to each fee (or ask us about membership!)



Sample Program Activities

<u>Arrival</u>: Greetings & outdoor free play. <u>Opening Circle</u>: Nature topic of the day is introduced. Children learn to take turns and be attentive through books, songs, games, and activities.

Break Time: Bathroom break, wash hands and prepare for snack or lunch. **Snack/Lunch Times:** Please pack a snack and lunch. Children clear their own places and clean up after themselves. **Outdoor Hikes and Play**: We go on hikes, catch insects, play games, and look for clues to learn about wildlife & habitats. **Closing Circle:** Time to share what we learned and found outside, and discuss our favorite parts of the day.

