Outdoor Explorers Syllabus

Spring 2017-18

# Instructor Information

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| Instructor | Email | Class Location & Hours |
| **Patrick Underwood**  **Parks Naturalist**  **Berrien County Parks** | lovecreek@berriencounty.org | Love Creek Nature Center and various locations in Berrien County. 1:30-3:30 p.m. Two Fridays a month. |

# General Information

## Description

## During this twice a month class for 5-10 year olds, we will explore the outdoor world of Berrien County. Each class will have a topic that is usually based on what is “happening” outside. This class will hopefully be a supplement to your science studies at home, and will be as “hands-on” as possible. Classes will be on Fridays and will meet at Love Creek or other parks in the County.

## Expectations and Goals: (circle one): Pass/Fail

# Course Materials

## Required Materials (most should be provided by teacher covered in course fee, indicate if provided by student, i.e. sewing kit)

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## Optional Materials (provided by student/family) Boots/shoes will be needed for occasional water exploration classes.

# Course Schedule

| Week | Topic | |  |  |
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| February 2 | What Does the Groundhog Know? | |  |  |
| February 16 | Owls and Winter Birds | |  |  |
| March 2 | Terrific Trees---Love Creek | |  |  |
| March 16 | “It’s Raining Frogs, Toads and Salamanders!”---Love Creek | |  |  |
| April 6 | | Journey to a Frog Pond---Love Creek | | |
| April 20 | | A Visit to Dowagiac Woods---Dowagiac | | |
| May 4 | | Spring Wildflowers at love Creek---Love Creek | | |
| May 25  June 8 Voyageur Canoe Trip---North Lake Grand Mere    June 15 Spring Night Hike Adventure—Love Creek | | Terrific Trees | | |

# End of Semester: Finished Work

* Evidence of Learning (circle one): post-test