

EDISTO BEACH STATE PARK
ENVIRONMENTAL LEARNING CENTER
PROGRAM CALENDAR • MAY 2022

	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
10 AM	<p><u>What's on the Menu?</u> @ Learning Center</p>	<p><u>Off the Hook Fishing*</u> @ Learning Center 11th & 25th \$2 per person</p>	<p><u>Life in the Shallows</u> @ Learning Center 12th, 19th, & 26th</p>	<p><u>Maritime Marvels</u> @ Learning Center</p>	<p><u>Beach walk</u> @ Day-use area 7th, 14th, & 21st</p>
12 PM	<p><u>Gators of the Lowcountry*</u> @ Learning Center</p>	<p><u>Turtle Talk</u> @ Learning Center</p>	<p><u>Cast netting*</u> @ Learning Center 12th & 26th</p>	<p><u>Ravenous Reptiles*</u> @ Learning Center \$5 per person</p>	
2 PM	<p><u>Crabby Critters</u> @ Learning Center</p>				<p><u>Tie-Dye! *</u> @ Learning Center</p>

****Please call the Environmental Learning Center to register for programs:
 843.869.4430****

Program Descriptions:

Beach Walk: Where can you find a shark's eye, a baby's ear, and a mermaid's purse? For these answers, join us on the beach as we search for these and other treasures washed up by the waves. **Free with Park Admission (1 hr)**

Cast Netting in the Lowcountry: Come on down to the Environmental Learning Center, to learn about the most popular outdoor recreational activities in the Lowcountry, cast netting! Join a naturalist to learn multiple methods to this activity. From shrimp to squid, you never know what you will get! **Free with Park Admission. (45min)**

Crabby Critters: What do a fiddler, a ghost, and a stone have in common? They are all types of crabs! Edisto is home to many different types of crabby critters which are very important to our coastal ecosystem. Join us as we take a closer look at some of our crabby friends. **Free with Park Admission (45 mins)**

Earth Day Beach Sweep: For Earth Day, help us be a part of this state and nationwide effort to rid our beaches and rivers of aquatic pollution. Join park staff as we clean up the beach at the park. Groups and individuals are needed to clean up and collect data. Be sure to bring gloves, protective shoes and sunblock. **Free with Park Admission (2 hrs)**

Gators of the Lowcountry: Learn more about South Carolina's largest reptiles and these modern-day dinosaurs during this educational program. Also get an up-close look at our resident gator, Marsh!! **Free with Park Admission (30 mins)**

Life in the Shallows: Experience our coastal critters up close! Come interact with our touch tank animals while being guided by an interpreter. **Free with Park Admission. (30 mins)**

Maritime Marvels: Join us for a guided walk from the Learning Center and learn all about the unique maritime forest ecosystem. Highlights include picturesque live oaks, Christmas and bubble gum lichens, and diverse forest microcosms and interactions. **Free with Park Admission. (1 hr)**

Off the Hook Fishing: Come out and fish! Learn the ins and outs of fishing in the low country and see what you can catch as you go fishing with a staff member at the Learning Center fishing dock. Fishing license required for anyone 16 years or older. If you do not have fishing equipment, we have DNR fishing rods available for loan. **Bring your own bait. 8 participants max, \$2/participant, Pre-registration is required. (1 hour)**

Ravenous Reptiles: Come watch a special feeding of some of our reptile friends! **\$5 per person. (30 mins)**

Tie-Dye! Come join the ELC staff as we teach you how to create your own tie-dye shirt! We'll show you a variety of designs to choose from. Make sure to bring your own white cotton t-shirt or pillowcase, or better yet, purchase an Edisto Beach State Park shirt from us! **Pre-registration required. \$10 per shirt or purchase one of ours for \$15. For a donation of \$7, you can tie dye a tote bag! Limit 8. (45 min)**

Turtle Talk: Can you hold your breath for five hours? How tall do you measure up to a Leatherback Sea Turtle? Come discover the incredible world of South Carolina's turtles - from terrapins to land turtles to sea turtles! Some live turtles (no live sea turtles) will be on hand! **Free with Park Admission. (45 min)**

What's on the Menu? Not our animals! Join us as we feed our aquarium animals. **Free with Park Admission. (30 mins)**

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Learning Center: Located down Palmetto Road, off Highway 174

Hours: Tuesday-Saturday, 9am- 4pm