ENVIRONMENTAL LEARNING CENTER (ELC) PROGRAM CALENDAR • SEPTEMBER 2024

TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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Located down Palmetto Rd, off Highway 174, 362 Oyster Row Ln, Edisto Island Hours: Tuesday - Saturday, 9 AM - 4 PM

^{**}Please pre-register by calling the Environmental Learning Center (ELC) at 843.869.4430

Program Descriptions:

Birds of Edisto: Come learn about some of our resident birds in this avian-based trivia game. No binoculars needed. Pre-registration required. Free with Park Admission. (1 hour)

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 one of our resident gators! Pre-registration required. Free with Park Admission. (45 minutes)

Life in the Shallows: Stop in and experience our coastal critters up close! Come interact with our touch tank animals while being guided by an interpreter. Pre-registration required. Free with Park Admission. (1 hour)

Lowcountry Tidal Treasures: Join us for a guided walk as we look at what washes up on the beach and discuss its ecology. Pre-registration required. Free with Park Admission. (1 hour- 1½ hours) Meets at the beach front area of the state park.

Primeval Edisto: Did you know giant beavers, massive sharks, and bizarre sloths really called Edisto home? Join us to learn about the amazing wildlife of prehistoric Edisto in a game of fossil trivia. Touch real fossils of animals that roamed tens of thousands of years ago. Pre-registration required. Free with Park Admission. (1 hour-1½ hours)

Ravenous Reptiles: Come watch a special feeding of some of our reptile friends! Pre-registration required. \$5 per person. (45 minutes)

Sea Turtle Nest Inventory: Watch as permitted staff inventory a sea turtle nest to determine the nest success. Every Wednesday and Friday evening from 6:30pm-8:30pm **dependent on nest emergences**. Call the ELC to verify a program is being held, no preregistration required, and all ages are welcome!

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. (30-45 minutes)

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! **Pre-registration required. Free with Park Admission. (45 minutes)**

Wetlands of the Lowcountry: Ever wonder what lies in the murky depths of the swamps? Come learn what grows, swims, and crawls around in the mucky waters of our freshwater wetlands. Pre-registration required. Free with Park Admission. (1 hour)

What's on the Menu? Not our animals! Join us as we feed some of our aquarium and terrarium animals. Our touch tank will be open! Pre-registration required. Free with Park Admission. (45 minutes)

Special Events:

ACE Fun Day: Join us for a family-friendly day exploring science & the natural world. Free educational cruises at 10 AM & 12:00 PM for ages 10+ only. <u>PLEASE NOTE</u>: Cruises are first come, first served, & will be open to on-site registration 30 min prior.

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