

SUMMER CAMPS 2023

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HALF-DAY DISCOVERY CAMPS

Meet at Chambers House Nature Center

Ages: 4 - 6

9 a.m. - noon

\$125 per week

Creekin' for Critters

June 12 - 16

Spend lots of time with new friends in and near the creek searching for critters of all sizes. Activities include fun crafts and awesome outdoor games, all while learning about habitats and animals of the park

Stream Splashers

July 24 - 28

There's nothing like a good splash in the creek during the summer! Campers will enjoy a week full of creek play, making and floating their own boats, animal crafts, and enjoying what nature has to offer with their new friends.

Creek Safari

August 7 - 11

Join us on an expedition in this action-packed week of exploring the creek and woods. Learn about wildlife through outdoor games, crafts and lots of creek time!



WHITE CLAY CREEK STATE PARK

750 Thompson Station Road
Newark, DE 19711
302-368-6900

Chambers House
Nature Center:
1475 Creek Road
Newark, DE 19711

A limited amount of need-based scholarship funds may be available, through a contribution from the Friends of White Clay Creek State Park. For information on how to apply, call 302-368-6900.

Counselor in Training (CIT):
Opportunities for Teens

Do you like working with younger kids and being outside in the summer? Do you need service hours for school or youth group? Be a CIT at White Clay Creek State Park summer camps! You must be at least 14 years old and be available to attend our orientation. There is a \$35 registration fee that includes a T-shirt. Call 302-368-6560 for more information or to schedule an interview.

View full list of Delaware State Parks summer camps and registration information at destateparks.com/summercamps.



WHITE CLAY CREEK STATE PARK

FULL-DAY DISCOVERY CAMPS

Meet at Chambers House Nature Center
\$220 per week unless otherwise indicated

We Care for Animals

June 19 - 23

Ages: 5 - 7

9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Caring for animals can mean feeding or brushing your own pet or filling bird feeders and making habitat for wild animals. This camp will explore the differences between wild animals and pets and how we care for both. Outdoor play near the creek, crafts and live animal guests will be a part of this camp.

Fantastic Frogs and Feathers

June 26 - 30

Ages: 5 - 7

9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Frogs are hopping, birds are chirping and the creek is flowing during this summer fun camp! Campers will dig deeper into our animal world at the creek with building nets, searching for frogs and toads, and on hikes looking for owls and forest friends. Plenty of creek time, active games, crafts and time outside will be part of this camp.

White Clay Stream Explorers

July 5 - 7

Ages: 5 - 6

9 a.m. - 2 p.m. (reduced hours)

Join us for this 3-day camp exploring creek and surrounding forest valley in search of wildlife and fun. Nature can be the best playground and classroom. Come make friends while playing in and around the creek. Nature games and crafts will be a part of this camp.

\$125 (3-day camp)

Knights, Gnomes and Fairies of White Clay Kingdom

July 10 - 14

Ages: 6 - 8

9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Explore the 'kingdom' of the White Clay Valley during this week of crafting fairy homes and castles and many other themed crafts and games. Camp visitors may include our Natural Resource "Knights" and Naturalist Forest "Fairy".

Creek Creations

July 17 - 21

Ages: 6 - 8

9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

The creek and its surrounding trails offer lots of natural supplies to be used for crafts and activities! We will spend lots of time in the water and making creek crafts. This fun-filled week will consist of learning about the creek's gems, creating nature crafts and spending time in and around the creek.

Pirates Treasures

July 31 - August 4

Ages: 6 - 8

9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Argh you ready for a pirate week? Spend your 'shipwrecked' days searching for treasure, panning for gems and meeting new pirate friends while learning about the incredible treasures that make up our natural world.



WHITE CLAY CREEK STATE PARK

FULL-DAY ADVENTURE CAMPS

Meet at the Upper Education Area/Robinson House
\$225 per week, unless otherwise indicated

Working with Animals

June 19 - 23

Ages: 8 - 10

9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Explore ways people work with animals such as dogs, bats, goats and butterflies. This camp will include trips to visit the zoo, an animal veterinarian, and other animal related travels. Guests include animal caregivers and ornithologists. Campers will also spend time in the creek and play games.

Wilderness Survival Skills

June 26 - 30

Ages: 8 - 10

9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Ever wonder if you have what it takes to survive in the wild? This week is all about learning how animals and you can survive in a wilderness setting. Campers will be able to use a map to find their way, make survival bracelets, and participate in lots of outdoor activities.

Mines and Minerals

July 10 - 14

Ages: 9 - 11

9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Are you familiar with things like obsidian and mycelium in the virtual world? How great would it be to see and touch the real thing in the natural world? Explore some of the many amazing features the earth has to offer during a week of hands-on constructing and experimenting, along with enjoying time at the creek.

Adventure Rangers

July 17 - 21

Ages: 9 - 11

9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Park Rangers have a very exciting and important job when it comes to protecting and conserving our park. Spend the week exploring the park through the eyes of a Ranger, by learning animal tracks, talking to the Rangers of our park and having a conservation conversation.

Single Track Shredders: WCCSP

Mountain Bike Focused Camp

July 24 - 28

Ages: 12 - 15

9 a.m. - 2 p.m. (reduced hours)

This camp is specifically designed for experienced bikers with six or more miles of all-terrain experience. Join other avid young bikers from the region for a week-long mountain biking experience. The week includes rides all around at White Clay Creek and Middle Run trails. Bike repair, riding techniques and coolin' off in the creek are all part of the mountain bike camp. Campers should bring their own mountain bike (bikes are available to borrow) and a properly fitted, CPSC-approved helmet, bike gloves and be able to swim.

\$295

Outdoor Adventure Skills

July 31 - August 4

Ages: 11 - 14

9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Enjoy exploring outdoor sports here at White Clay Creek and nearby state parks with hiking, tubing, fishing, rock climbing, kayaking, a Go Ape Tree Top Journey and beginner mountain biking (mtn. bikes are available to borrow or bring your own). We'll wrap up the week with a bike ride to a cool spot in town. Campers must bring a properly fitted, CPSC-approved helmet and be able to swim.

\$250

Camp Awesome

August 7 - 11

Ages: 9 - 11

9 a.m. - 2 p.m. (reduced hours)

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\$185

Campers and parents must follow current health guidelines, which may include screening and/or face coverings. Visit destateparks.com/covid19 for the latest information.

Programs and activities may change based on current Covid-19 guidelines or other factors.