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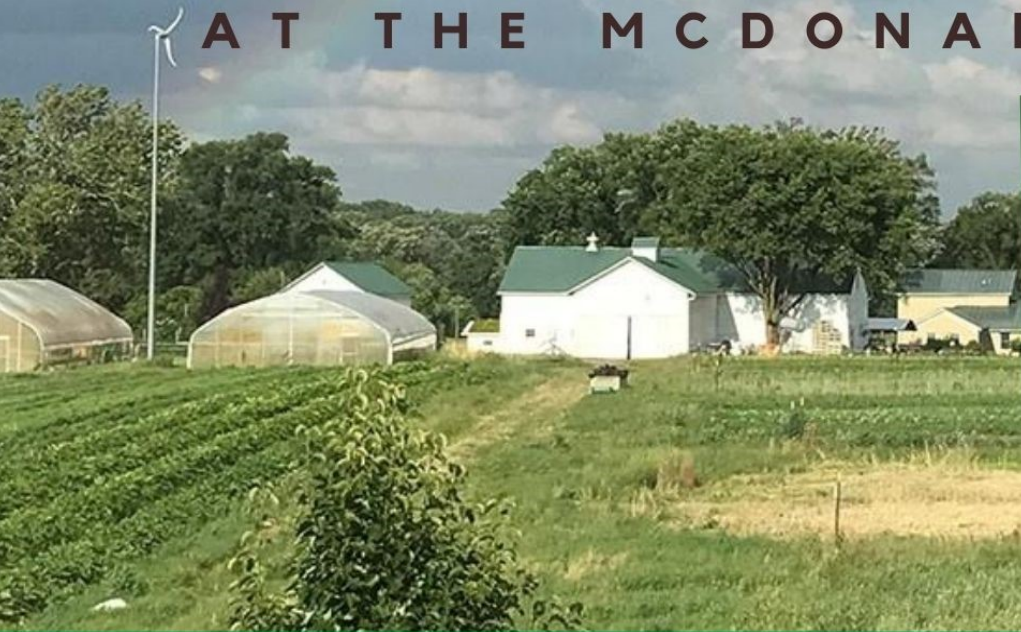
We save rivers.

FIELD TRIPS

FOR YOUR

"NATURE POD"

AT THE MCDONALD FARM



School look a little different this year?

Whether you're remote learning, sending the kids in person or something in between, The Conservation Foundation's team of experienced educators want to support you and your children with science and social enrichment in the safest place possible, the great outdoors!



"Nature Pod" Field Trips!



The Conservation Foundation's McDonald Farm headquarters in south Naperville is an oasis in the suburbs that provides a unique place to explore nature and a working organic farm. Our educators are here to provide your group with 90 minute themed lessons exploring nature as your classroom!

Autumn Program Highlights



Let's get started!

- ✓ **STEP 1:** Self-organize a group of children of similar ages and risk exposure as your "nature pod."
- ✓ **STEP 2:** Select a program. Programs are flexible but targeted to age groups such as Pre-K, Early Elementary (EE), Late Elementary (LE), and Junior High (JH).
- ✓ **STEP 3:** Call us to schedule an experience that will support your child both intellectually and emotionally during this challenging time.

The details...

All programs are **multi-disciplinary and designed to align with national science standards with STEAM themes**. Masks are required and materials are sanitized.

Programs are \$100 for the first 10 students, and \$10/student above 10. If your learning pod has less than 10 people but you are willing to pay the \$100 minimum to cover our costs, we welcome you. Scholarships are available for those that need assistance.

Call to schedule your visit today!

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Colors and Patterns in Nature. Hunt for the variety of colors and patterns as you take a nature hike. Create your own piece of art inspired by nature! (Pre-K & EE)



Insect Investigations. Take a look at insects up close. Learn of their great diversity and the interdependent relationships they have with plants and other animals. (EE)



Seeds and Plants. Identify the structure and function of different parts of a plant and learn how seeds travel through their special adaptations. (EE)



Animal Architects. Explore the intricate homes and habitats local animals create, and create your own habitat using natural materials. (LE)



Nature's Heroes: Conservation in Action on the Farm. Explore seasonal themes at the farm and get your hands dirty while working to restore healthy, native habitats. (LE & JH)



Organic Farming in Action. Experience the workings of our organic farm by taking a "journey of a seed" tour and compare this process to other forms of agriculture. In season, taste our veggies! (JH)

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