

NATUREHOODS EDUCATION PROGRAM

The Children's Forest of Central Oregon is launching a new NatureHoods Education Program in 2015 and would love to have your class participate! Each program includes four 1 hour classes offered in your schoolyard or local park.

"Bear" Necessities: How Plants and Animals Use Their Surroundings to Survive

Kindergarten NGSS Standards K-LS1-1 and K-ESS3-1

Students make observations and participate in hands-on activities to learn about what plants and animals need to survive. They will then apply this knowledge to draw conclusions about why plants and animals live where they do.

Roots and Tails: How Plants and Animals Use Their Structure to Survive and Grow

1st Grade NGSS Standard 1-LS1-1

Students will make observations to learn how plants and animals use their external parts to help them survive, grow, and meet their needs. Activities will allow students to design a solution to a human problem by mimicking plants and animals.

Plants and Pollinators: Spreading the Seeds of the Diversity of Life

2nd Grade NGSS Standards 2-LS4-1 and 2-LS2-2

Students will learn about the relationship between plants and pollinators and engage in hands-on activities that mimic the function of animals in dispersing seeds and/or pollinating plants. Students will use this information to discover the necessity for the diversity of life in different habitats.

NatureHood Projects

The NatureHoods Coordinator will work with interested schools to coordinate student projects in local parks or schoolyards as a way to connect students and families to their NatureHood on an ongoing basis. Projects will be driven by student interest and location and may include interpretive signs, pollinator gardens, bat boxes and birdhouses, and field guides. Funding is available to support projects.



For more information or if you wish to participate, please contact Marissa Haarmann at marissa@childrensforestco.org