

Explore, Learn, Connect: Your Perfect 1-Day Field Trip at the Echo Pond Environmental Education Centre!

Tailored to Your Class – No Overnight Stay Required!

We understand that taking students on an overnight trip can feel daunting, especially for junior high students. **That's why we're excited to pilot our new 1-day option, designed specifically for grades 7 and 8.** Come experience the benefits of our immersive programs and stunning natural setting, all in a single, stress-free day. Give your students the opportunity to connect with nature and each other without the added logistics of an overnight stay.



Choose your own adventure! You know your students best, so why not tailor the experience to their needs? Browse our menu of fun, engaging, and curriculum-linked activities, and pick the perfect mix for your class. Whether it's hands-on learning, team-building challenges, or recreational fun, you get to decide what your students will explore and enjoy on their trip!

Trip Details:

- \$35/child, teachers and chaperones are free!
- Schools are responsible for their own bussing.
- Arrive between 9/10am, leave between 3/4pm. Flexible arrival and departure times are available upon request.
- Lunch and snack provided, or have students bring their own food.
- No overnight stay means you can bring a bigger group!
- Have more questions? Ready to book? Email Katie at schoolprogram@echopond.ca!

Activity Menu

Curriculum-linked activities

Succession Hike	Explore the forest on this guided hike and witness the wonders of primary and secondary succession up close—far better than any textbook! Discover how nature rebuilds and transforms over time. (1.5 hours)
Biodiversity Hike	Dive into the rich world of our boreal forest on this guided hike. Uncover the biotic and abiotic elements that make up the ecosystem, and enjoy fun sensory activities that bring you face-to-face with the plants and animals around you. (1.5 hours)
Skull CSI	Step into the shoes of a wildlife detective! Examine a collection of native Newfoundland animal skulls and uncover the clues that reveal your mystery animal. It's a hands-on investigation that brings biology to life. (1 hour)
Bug Study	Get your hands dirty in this muddy river exploration! Search for hidden invertebrates beneath the mud and use microscopes and guides to assess the water's quality. It's like a mini science lab in nature. (1.5 hours)

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Recreational Team Building Activities

Camouflage	Become part of the wilderness in this hide-and-seek game that teaches you how animals survive in their environment. It's a fun way to get comfortable in the woods while learning survival skills. (30-45 minutes)
Orienteering	Embark on a thrilling adventure using maps and compasses to locate hidden flags in the woods. It's the perfect blend of navigation skills and teamwork in a fun, challenging setting. (1 hour)
Pond Painting	Relax and reflect by the pond as you express your creativity with watercolors. This peaceful activity lets you capture the beauty of nature in your own unique way. (30-45 minutes)
Fairy Stump Hike	Take a magical hike to our "fairy stump" and immerse yourself in traditional Newfoundland fairy stories told by our skilled educators. It's a journey into folklore and the enchanting world of the woods. (1.5 hours)
Wilderness Survival	Learn essential survival skills as you and your team build shelters and discover how to stay safe in the wild. It's an exciting and practical experience for any budding adventurer. (1 hour)

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