WELCOME TO NATURE’S CANVAS!

Ages 6–12. Monday, August 17–Friday, August 21

Nature’s Canvas is a day camp focused on making art using natural materials. It is also, like all FDNC camps, a week to explore the forest, play games, and learn nature-based skills with new friends! We will have five groups based on age demographics. On Monday, we will tell you which group your child is in.

SCHEDULE

Camp Days: Monday–Friday, 9:00 am–3:00 pm (we reserve the right to charge a late-pickup fee of $5 every 10 minutes starting at 3:15 pm).

Drop off and Pickup: In compliance with NY State guidelines for summer camps, camp this summer will be pickup and drop-off only. There will be no parent circles. We are extending our drop-off and pickup times in an effort to reduce our traffic volume at any given time in the parking lot. Feel free to come at any point during these windows of time. Traffic will be directed in a circular fashion through the parking lot. Follow the signs and/or staff instructions.

DROP OFF TIMES: 8:45–9:15 am
PICK UP TIMES: 2:45–3:15 pm

During Drop-off: Please remain in your vehicle with your child. A staff member will greet you and have three health screening questions. They will ask you the following:

1. Have you or anyone in your family knowingly been in close or proximate contact in the past 14 days with anyone who has tested positive for COVID-19 or who has or had symptoms of COVID-19?
2. Have you or anyone in your family tested positive for COVID-19 in the past 14 days? and/or
3. Have you or anyone in your family experienced any symptoms of COVID-19 in the past 14 days?

Once the screening has taken place, your child will walk directly to join their group in the field. On Monday morning, the staff member will let you and your child know what group they are in, who their leaders are, and where to meet them in the field each day with the other campers from their group.

During Pickup: Pickup proceeds in the same fashion, with parents staying cars and moving in a circular direction through the parking lot. Please make sure that all people picking up your child are on the list of authorized pickups. If you need to add someone to the list, please let us know. As much as possible, please limit the number of people that pick up your child as well as family and friends at higher risk for COVID-19.
COMMUNICATIONS

The Director will send out a Zoom link the weekend before camp inviting you to a meeting on Sunday afternoon (times may vary). This remote meeting will be a chance for you to meet the Director, find out more information about the camp, and relate any relevant information before the start of camp.

*If you need to communicate anything important to our field staff during the week, please first make an attempt to do so over the phone at 518-392-6687 or via email to info@flyingdeernaturecenter.org.*

LOCATION & DIRECTIONS

**Location:** 122 Daley Rd., East Chatham, NY. **Do not enter Daley Road directly from Route 295.** To preserve the structural integrity of Daley Rd (a dirt road), we require all participants and staff to always avoid using the west section of Daley Road. Also, to preserve its peaceful atmosphere, we expect all Flying Deer traffic to drive 20 miles an hour or less on Daley Rd, and to observe Route 9 speed limits.

**To Daley Road from the west:** Heading east on Rt. 295, do not take Daley Road directly off Rt. 295; instead, continue east and turn right onto Rt. 9 in East Chatham. Follow Rt. 9 for 1.9 miles and take a slight right onto Daley Road. (Remember to factor these extra few minutes into your drive!)

**To Daley Road from the east:** Heading west on Rt. 295, take a slight left turn onto Rt. 9 in the center of East Chatham. Follow Rt. 9 for 1.9 miles and take a slight right onto Daley Road.

**On Daley Road:** Continue for half a mile to 122 Daley Rd. on your left. Do not enter the house parking lot. Instead, continue 50 yards on Daley and turn left into the access drive that descends the hill and enter the large parking lot down in the field with solar panels.

TO-BRING LIST

- **Clothing:** Campers should wear clothing that can (and will) get dirty, wet and potentially painted with paint and colors!
- **Footwear:** rugged outdoor sandals, boots, or sneakers that can get dirty
- **Water Bottle:** with a carrying strap; 1 liter is a good size.
- **Lunch Box or Bag:** with a carrying strap, containing a healthy snack and lunch, and a plastic baggy for take-home trash.
- **Small Backpack** to carry lunch box and water in
- **Swimsuit** (for stream play; we don't swim) and rain gear, to be best prepared for all activities and weather!
- **A face mask** to be worn only if necessary or desired (read more in the link below)
- **Personal hand sanitizer**
- **Bandana**- for blindfold challenges, team designations and just about anything else!

HEALTH AND SAFETY

Read our COVID safety guidelines here or read the document attached to the Welcome email: [https://flyingdeernaturecenter.org/2020-guidelines/](https://flyingdeernaturecenter.org/2020-guidelines/)

*We are certified by the New York State Health Department, which requires an operating permit and two yearly inspections. Inspection reports and required plans (filed at the Columbia County Department of Health in Hudson, NY) are available for review.*

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