

Naturalist Program Schedule June 25-29

Wednesday, June 25

6am-3pm-Making Apple Butter-Join the Holly River State Park Foundation to learn about making apple butter and help work the kettle. Stop by any time between 6am and 3pm to check it out! **(Windy Gap Schoolyard)**

Thursday, June 26

11am-Magnificent Mycelium-Learn about mushrooms and how important mycelium is to an ecosystem, then go on a walk to look for them and take pictures. **(Nature's Rock Garden) (YPP)**

1pm-Nature Suncatchers/Bookmarks-Make your own suncatcher or bookmark using natural materials found on the ground. We can't wait to see what you create! **(Balli Shelter)**

3pm-Creek Critters-Search the creek for cool critters, like crayfish, mayflies, salamanders, and more. Learn how you can protect these species and get a look at them up close through our magnifying containers. Nets will be provided. Please avoid applying bugspray, sunscreen, or other lotions as to not hurt the critters or pollute the water. **(Laurel Fork trail-meet at Carpenter Pavilion) (YPP)**

Friday, June 27

nam-Sensory Nature Hike-Join the naturalist on this guided hike to learn about things we find in nature using all five senses. Difficulty: Easy (Saltlick Trail-meet at trailhead by Cabin No.9) (YPP)

2pm-Scavenger Hunt-Can you find all of the nature items on our list? Find them all to earn a prize! **(Park Office porch) (YPP)**

4pm-Nature Jewelry-Learn how to wire wrap a creek stone to turn into a necklace. A perfect keepsake souvenir from Holly River State Park. **(Balli Shelter)**

Saturday, June 28

nam-Feathered Friends-Learn about birds you might find in our park on this short hike. We will see them, hear them, and even call them to us. If you don't own binoculars, some will be provided. Wear hiking shoes and nature colors for the best viewing experience. (High Rock trailhead by tennis court) (YPP)

2pm-Mammal Jeopardy-Test your knowledge and learn fun facts by playing this mammal-themed trivia game for a chance to win a prize! **(Windy Gap Schoolyard) (YPP)**

4pm-Can I Eat That?-Go on a nature walk and learn about plants that are edible or beneficial.

Bring a journal or phone to take notes. (Laurel Fork trailhead by Anderson Shelter) (YPP)

Sunday, June 29

nam-Geology Rocks!-Play an active game to learn about geology. Get ready to let your sillies shine like a diamond. (Windy Gap Schoolyard) (YPP)

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All naturalist programs are **FREE** to attend, and for **all ages**! Young People for Parks **(YPP)** encourages youth aged 6-16 to get outdoors and explore nature by attending programs provided by West Virginia state parks. Those who complete 3 naturalist programs per week will earn a certificate and a patch. How awesome is that?! We're so proud of our YPP who learn about nature and pledge to keep our parks wild and wonderful!