



Explore your
Ottawa County Parks

Birthday Parties

Celebrate your special day at the Ottawa County Parks Nature Center!

Ottawa County Park's Nature Center offers guided, nature-based birthday party packages for up to 15 children, ages 5-12 years old at Hemlock Crossing County Park.



All parties include:

- Arrival activity
- Icebreaker game
- One hour nature program (see flip side)
- 30 minutes for refreshments & gifts

We will provide:

- Kid-sized tables and chairs
- Additional seating for adults
- A memorable one-hour naturalist program of your choice
- Access to a refrigerator and freezer

You must provide:

- Any food, beverage, utensils, and paper goods



Get scheduled! Call (616) 786-4847 to schedule your birthday party!

- \$195 for 10 children (birthday child & 9 friends)
- \$5 per additional child (up to 15 children)
- One adult per 10 children required at the party
- \$50 nonrefundable deposit is due at the time of reservation and is applied to total amount; balance due 10 days prior to the event

The party room is yours for 2 hours, with an additional 15 minutes before and after for set-up and cleaning (2.5 hours total).

Parties must be scheduled a minimum of 3 weeks in advance.

Birthday parties are held during regular business hours: Tues-Sat, 9 am-5 pm; Sun 12-5 pm

Scheduling is dependent on staff and facility availability.

Nature Programs

Bug Safari // Summer & Fall, ages 5-12

Explore the park as we look for some of the world's smallest residents. Armed with nets and magnifiers, we will search for spiders, slugs, beetles and other invertebrates.

Stories of the Forest // All seasons, ages 5-12

Join us on a journey as we unearth amazing tales about the plants and animals living in the forest.

Pond Exploration // Spring & early summer, ages 5-12

Explore all things wet and wild and see critters great and small. Look above and below the water line and find the wonder in them all!

Flying Feathered Friends

Birds are unique in so many ways. Learn about what makes birds unique, how they survive in their habitats.

- Wonderful World of Woodpeckers
All seasons, ages 8-12
- Hidden Birds with Lots of Words!
Spring & Summer, ages 9-12
- Mouths to Feed: Unique Feeding Strategies
All seasons, ages 5-8
- Birds of a Feather Flock Together: Flight & Migration
Spring & Fall, ages 5-8
- All about Owls
All seasons, ages 5-12

Wild about Wildlife! // All seasons, ages 5-12

Choose an animal and discover about what makes it unique and how adaptations help it survive in the park. Investigate the signs left by your animal and learn investigate the interactions between predators and their prey.

- Webbed Wonders: Mink, Muskrat, & Beaver
- Black Bears
- Squirrels
- White-tailed Deer
- Slithering Snakes
- Befuddling Bats

Winter Day Games and/or Snowshoeing // Winter, ages 5-12

Activities will vary depending on conditions

