ABCA Conservation Education Programs



Outdoor Program Descriptions (listed in alphabetical order)



Get your hands dirty!



Down Under — Primary, Junior

Don't treat soil like dirt! What is soil? Students gain increased awareness through hands-on activities including: examining different soil types, erosion and erosion control and looking for critters that call soil home.

ABC's of Ecosystems Hike – Intermediate, Senior

Abiotic, Biotic and the Connections that make up ecosystems will be investigated. While hiking along the Ausable River ecosystem, overall watershed health and human impacts will be discussed and explored through handson activities.

Animal Critters Walk — Primary

Through first-hand discovery, students will find out about local animals' characteristics and adaptations throughout their life cycle. Other activities will focus on the importance of protecting animals and where they live.

Backyard Biodiversity Hike – Junior, Intermediate, Senior

By visiting different habitats, students will discover and learn to classify diverse local flora and fauna. Students will consider different perspectives of human impacts on the environment and gain an appreciation for biodiversity found in their own backyard.

Biomimicry: Innovation Inspired by Nature – Intermediate

The natural world is sustainable in every way! Come learn about how nature's functions, designs and processes of natural systems are imitated to create new technologies and materials which help to solve human problems.

Bodacious Bugs & Awesome Arachnids – Junior, Intermediate, Senior

The diverse and exciting life of insects and arachnids await! Through collecting, identifying, classifying and observing adaptations, students will learn about the important role these six and eightlegged critters play within local ecosystems.