Program Registration

Programs are approximately two hours in length, and can be booked for either a morning or afternoon session. Full-day programs are available at High Park, choose from two of the options available or pick a full day program. Programs in High Park can be booked year round, all other trails can be booked until mid-November. All programs are rain or shine.

The program cost is $6/student/program.
Full day High Park program for $11/student.
Teachers and parent volunteers attend free of charge.

A minimum of 10 students is required and a maximum of 30 students can be accommodated in one program.

For more information, or to register your class, please contact Keely Forth at 416-392-1329 or e-mail kidsgrow@toronto.ca

Programs are available along these City of Toronto Discovery Walks:

* Western Ravines and Beaches
* Humber River, Old Mill, and Marshes
* Northern Ravines and Gardens
* Eastern Ravine and Beaches
* Don Valley Hills and Dales

All program areas are accessible by TTC. For Discovery Walk maps (including TTC stop locations) please go to:

http://www.toronto.ca/parks/trails/discover.htm

http://torontochildrensgarden.ca

Children’s Garden & Eco Programs

Little Hands in the Soil, Little Feet on the Trail
Our hands-on activities are based on the Ontario Curriculum guidelines and educational activities used in each program can include:
Guided Nature Hikes | Plant and Animal Identification | Nature Based Science Experiments | Habitat Exploration | Sensory Activities | Use of Dichotomous Keys | Instincts for Survival Game | Orienteering, Map and Compass

**Program Availability:** S-Spring, F- Fall, W-Winter

**Exploring Toronto Programs**

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**JK/SK/Grade 1: Eco Adventures – ½ day, F/W/S**
A hands-on adventure exploring plant and animal lifecycles through songs, games and hands-on nature activities.

**Grade 2: Amazing Animals – ½ and full day, F/W/S**
Discover the amazing and innovative animals in our urban parks, forests and ravines. Games allow students to explore the habitats just like the animals they will identify.

**Grade 3: Plant Detection – ½ day, combine with Ground Beneath Us for full day program, F/S**
Learn the systems and needs of plant life in an urban park setting. Hiking, plant ID and hands-on experiments included!

**Grade 3: The Ground Beneath Us – ½ day, combine with Plant Detection for full day program, F/S**
Soil is an important part of our daily lives. What makes it so interesting and how can we protect it? Get ready to dig!

**Grade 4: Habitat Quest – ½/full day, F/W/S**
What is a habitat and why is it important? Identify a variety of habitats and the important features each contain. The Instincts for Survival Game is an outstanding teaching tool for this program.

**Grade 4: Map It! – ½ and full day, F/W/S**
Map and compass skills are an important and interesting way to find your path in the world. Learn map reading skills, how to use a compass and gain practice with a variety of challenges.

**Grade 5: Life Systems – ½ day, F/W/S**
Examine the cycles of nature as an alternative approach to understanding human organ systems. Habitat exploration, hands-on observation and experiments make the connection.

**Grade 6: Urban Biodiversity – ½ and full day, F/W/S**
Why is biodiversity so important? How will the loss of biodiversity affect the environment around us? Learn the answers to these questions through guided nature hikes, learn how to use dichotomous keys to identify plants and animals and take a special look at biodiversity in an urban environment.

**Grade 6: Follow in their footsteps – ½/full day, F/W/S**
Discover Toronto’s Aboriginal Peoples’ and early settler’s history through exploration and traditional story telling.

**Grade 7/8: Ecosystems – ½ and full day, F/W/S**
Identify the living and non-living elements of our urban ecosystems, while exploring their interactions.

**Grade 9 – 12 Programs available on request, ½ and Full Day, F/W/S**
Contact us for programs related to Grade 9-12 curriculum.

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All programs can be adjusted to meet individual class needs. For registration and specific location information, please see reverse.

“Imagine our City’s future led by a generation of lifelong gardeners and naturalists”

- Vision of the Children’s Garden & Eco Programs