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# News Release

## *A.R.M. Loxahatchee National Wildlife Refuge*

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### **Junior Refuge Manager Day at Arthur R. Marshall Loxahatchee National Wildlife Refuge**

**Boynton Beach, FL.** Elementary-aged youth are invited to the Arthur R. Marshall Loxahatchee National Wildlife Refuge at 9:30 a.m. on Friday, February 28, 2020 for a special Junior Refuge Manager Day. Participants will learn about alligators and other wildlife, ferns, habitats of the Everglades, and other wild topics by completing activities to earn a Junior Refuge Manager badge. An orientation session will begin at 9:30 a.m. in the Visitor Center Theater and then participants will go outside to stations on the Marsh Trail (0.9-mile-long), the cypress swamp, and the Visitor Center exhibit area. Volunteer environmental educators and refuge staff will assist youth with one or more activities. After completion of badge requirements, youth will take a pledge to help preserve wild spaces and places and be presented with their Junior Refuge Manager badge.

Youth in public, private, and home schools are invited to attend. All youth must be accompanied by an adult, who may offer assistance when needed. The Junior Refuge Manager Day program is free with paid admission to the refuge. The event will be rain or shine and participants should dress appropriate for the weather. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is committed to providing access to this event for all participants. Please direct all requests for sign language interpreting services, close captioning, or other accommodation needs to Serena Rinker, 561-735-6029, [Serena\\_Rinker@fws.gov](mailto:Serena_Rinker@fws.gov), TTY 800-877-8339 by close of business February 21, 2020.

The Arthur R. Marshall Loxahatchee National Wildlife Refuge was established under a License Agreement with the South Florida Water Management District in 1951 as an inviolate sanctuary for migratory birds. The vision of the refuge is to serve as an outstanding showcase for ecosystem management that restores, protects, and enhances a portion of the unique north Everglades biological community. This public asset provides for the enjoyment and enhanced quality of life for present and future generations. To learn more about the refuge visit: [https://www.fws.gov/refuge/arm\\_loxahatchee/](https://www.fws.gov/refuge/arm_loxahatchee/) Connect with our Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/ARMLoxahatcheeNWR/>

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