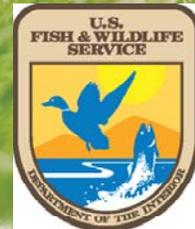


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ERIE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE



DISCOVERIES

1) SEARCH ANY OF THE REFUGE GENERAL INFORMATION KIOSKS TO ANSWER THESE QUESTIONS:

A) HOW MANY REFUGES ARE IN THE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE SYSTEM?

B) HOW MANY SPECIES OF BIRDS CAN BE FOUND ON ERIE NWR?

C) NAME THREE ANIMALS THAT CAN BE FOUND ON ERIE NWR.

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You're invited to Explore...

Erie National Wildlife Refuge!

Take some time to complete at least ten of the discovery tasks described here. To help you in your discoveries, the refuge headquarters has books, videos, binoculars, and fishing poles that you may borrow for the day. Be sure to call the refuge to be certain a staff member will be at the headquarters to help you when you arrive.

Once you've completed your detective work, mail or bring your program brochure to the refuge headquarters to receive your embroidered patch and certificate.

Take your time - enjoy the outdoors - get wild - get into nature!

2) NAME THREE KINDS OF TREES THAT CAN BE FOUND ON THE TSUGA TRAIL.

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3) ON BEAVER RUN TRAIL, READ THE HISTORICAL MARKERS. WHAT HAPPENED TO THE OLD GRAVEL PIT?

4) VISIT THE DEER RUN TRAIL OBSERVATION DECK. USE THE SPOTTING SCOPES AND DESCRIBE ONE THING YOU SEE.

5) STOP TO READ ONE OF THE BALD EAGLE INFORMATION KIOSKS (NEAR DEER RUN TRAIL AND THE FISHING PIER). IF EAGLE NESTS ARE DISTURBED, WHAT MIGHT HAPPEN?

6) STOP AT THE POOL K FISHING PIER AND TAKE SOME TIME TO FISH, OR LEARN SOMETHING ABOUT FISH OR MUSSELS AND THEIR HABITAT NEEDS FROM A BOOK.

7) USE A PAIR OF BINOCULARS TO GET A BETTER LOOK AT AN ANIMAL OR PLANT ON THE REFUGE. DESCRIBE WHAT YOU SAW.

10) WATCH A VIDEO ABOUT THE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE SYSTEM. WHAT'S ONE THING YOU LEARNED?

11) DESCRIBE ONE BIRD YOU SAW ON THE REFUGE. WHAT DID IT LOOK LIKE? WHERE DID YOU SEE IT? WHAT WAS IT DOING? TRY TO LEARN THE NAME OF THE BIRD AND THE KIND OF HABITAT IT PREFERS.

8) TAKE A PHOTOGRAPH OR DRAW A PICTURE OF A WILDFLOWER YOU FOUND ON THE REFUGE. TRY TO LEARN THE NAME OF THE PLANT AND WHETHER IT IS NATIVE TO PENNSYLVANIA. REMEMBER – DON'T PICK THE FLOWERS.

9) TAKE A WALK ON ANY REFUGE TRAIL. FIND 3 SIGNS THAT WILDLIFE LIVES THERE.

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12) WETLANDS PROVIDE VERY IMPORTANT HABITATS ON THE REFUGE. NAME 2 KINDS OF WETLANDS YOU SAW ON THE REFUGE. NAME ONE ANIMAL AND ONE PLANT THAT YOU'RE LIKELY TO FIND IN EACH ONE.

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I've Explored Erie National Wildlife Refuge!

STUDENT

PARENT OR GUARDIAN

DATE