Elementary School-Aged Camps

**Habitat Explorers**  
June 12 - 13  
Age: Students entering Preschool  
Time: 9am - 12pm  
Cost: $40

Prairies, wetlands and forests - oh my! Join us as we discover what resources make a habitat and compare what different plants and animals need to survive!

**Wiggly Caterpillars**  
July 24 - 25  
Age: Students entering Preschool  
Time: 9am - 12pm  
Cost: $40

How does a caterpillar transform into a butterfly? Why are some smooth while others are fuzzy? Let’s learn more about these baby butterflies and their incredible life cycle.

**Water Bugs**  
June 6 - 7  
Age: Students entering TK/K  
Time: 9am - 12pm  
Cost: $40

Why is water important? What kinds of creatures live in the water? Be ready to get wet as we explore our wetland habitats and find the amazing creatures that live there.

**Budding Birders**  
June 14 - 16  
Age: Students entering 1st & 2nd grade  
Time: 9am - 3pm  
Cost: $90

From hummingbirds to bald eagles, let’s discover the many birds that call Iowa home! Learn how to use binoculars and field guides while build observational and scientific skills! Lunch included.

**Snake Tails & Turtle Trails**  
July 26 - 28  
Age: Students entering 1st & 2nd grade  
Time: 9am - 3pm  
Cost: $90

Do all reptiles shed their skin like snakes? How long can aquatic turtles hold their breath? Join us as we study these cold-blooded creatures and become reptile scientists! Lunch included.

**Tadpole Camp**  
June 19 - 22  
Age: Students entering 3rd & 4th grade  
Time: 9am - 3pm  
Cost: $120

Where’s the best place to look for tadpoles? How do these wiggly creatures survive in their habitat? Get ready to romp around local wetlands in search of these alluring critters. Lunch included.

**Survival Skills 101**  
July 19 - 21  
Age: Students entering 3rd & 4th grade  
Time: 9am - 3pm  
Cost: $90

Learn how to survive in the wild! Campers will make shelters, purify drinking water, cook with a solar oven, practice plant and wildlife identification skills, and more! Lunch included.
Middle and High School-Aged Camps

Frog Camp
June 26 - 29
Age: Students entering 5th & 6th grade
Time: 9am - 3pm  Cost: $120

Did you know frogs use their eyes to help them swallow their prey? They also absorb water through their skin! Be prepared to get wet and muddy as we head to the wetlands to learn more about these fantastic creatures! Lunch included.

Junior CLAMP-ologists
July 31 - August 2
Age: Students entering 5th - 9th grade
Time: 9am - 3pm  Cost: $150

Join the Cooperative Lakes Area Monitoring Project (CLAMP) as a Junior CLAMP-ologist! At this collaborative camp between Lakeside and Okoboji Sailing Center, spend time on both land and water while learning about water quality in the lakes area! Campers spend mornings at Lakeside and afternoons sailing with OSC instructors. Lunch included.

Finding Bigfoot
July 10 - 12
Age: Students entering 5th - 8th grade
Time: 9am - 3pm  Cost: $90

Help prove (or disprove) the existence of Bigfoot in NW Iowa! Join us as we travel to various parks in search of evidence to help support our claim. Through research, tracking, habitat analysis and more, campers will answer the age old question: is Bigfoot real? Lunch included.

Girls in STEM PJ Party
August 3 - 4
Age: Girls entering 7th - 9th grade
Time: 9am - 9am  Cost: $60

Lakeside, ISU Extension and Dickinson County Conservation are excited to partner and bring you an all-girls, overnight camp focused on learning more about science, technology, engineering and math. Girls will engage in hands-on activities, team building challenges and even have the opportunity to meet local women from STEM fields. All meals included.

Leader-in-Training Program

Age: Students entering 9th - 12th grade

High schoolers who enjoy working with younger children, love the outdoors and would like to give back to their community will find a great fit in this camp program. The Leaders-in-Training (LIT) program is designed to provide opportunities for older campers to increase their leadership skills by sharing their passion, knowledge and enthusiasm for the natural world with younger campers. LITs will assist camp staff in providing a safe, caring and exciting experience for campers. This program does require an application process and all LITs will participate in a training prior to the summer. For more information please email ashley-scheve@uiowa.edu.

Lakeside Lab & Okoboji Sailing Center Collaborative Camps

Please register at okobojisailingcenter.org
Age: Students entering 5th - 9th grade
Time: 9am - 3pm

June 15 - 16
Where did these lakes come from?

June 22 - 23
Investigating invasives

June 29 - 30
Herpetology: the study of reptiles and amphibians

July 13 - July 14
The amazing world of arachnids

July 20 - 21
TikTok on the Dock