



# McClellan Ranch Preserve



## SPRING CAMPS

**Jr. Naturalist's Spring Mini-Camp** **6-9Y**  
 Spring break from school is the perfect time to get out and enjoy the natural world at McClellan Ranch Preserve. Short hikes, science activities, games, and crafts are scheduled for each day. Snacks will be provided, but participants should bring lunches each day. No camp 4/14. **Instructor: Staff**

McClellan Ranch Preserve Environmental Education Center

Codes	Days	Times	Dates	Mtgs	Fees
75753	M-Th	9:00am- 3:00pm	4/9-4/12	4	\$120R/\$144N

**Nature Play** **5-10Y**  
 Come enjoy the splendor of Stevens Creek Corridor in a fun and educational environment. Our camp staff will lead a combination of inside and outside activities through games, crafts, science experiments, nature exploration. Pairs perfectly with our Science and Nature Camps or as a standalone afternoon activity. **Instructor: Staff**

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Codes	Days	Times	Dates	Mtgs	Fees
75761	M-F	2:00pm- 5:00pm	6/11-6/15	5	\$78R/\$94N
75762	M-F	2:00pm- 5:00pm	6/18-6/22	5	\$78R/\$94N
75763	M-F	2:00pm- 5:00pm	6/25-6/29	5	\$78R/\$94N
75764	M W-F	2:00pm- 5:00pm	7/2-7/6	4	\$62R/\$74N
75765	M-F	2:00pm- 5:00pm	7/9-7/13	5	\$78R/\$94N
75766	M-F	2:00pm- 5:00pm	7/16-7/20	5	\$78R/\$94N
75767	M-F	2:00pm- 5:00pm	7/23-7/27	5	\$78R/\$94N
75768	M-F	2:00pm- 5:00pm	7/30-8/3	5	\$78R/\$94N
75769	M-F	2:00pm- 5:00pm	8/6-8/10	5	\$78R/\$94N

## SUMMER CAMPS

**Nature Camp** **5-8Y**  
 Campers will investigate the natural world of animals throughout the Stevens Creek Corridor and Nature Preserve while learning to appreciate the ecosystems that surround them. Camper will travel to an offsite park one day per session, transportation provided. Each camper will receive a T-shirt. Please bring a bag lunch each day. **Instructor: Staff**

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Codes	Days	Times	Dates	Mtgs	Fees
75756	M-F	9:00am- 2:00pm	6/11-6/15	5	\$130R/\$156N
75757	M-F	9:00am- 2:00pm	6/25-6/29	5	\$130R/\$156N
75758	M-F	9:00am- 2:00pm	7/9-7/13	5	\$130R/\$156N
75759	M-F	9:00am- 2:00pm	7/23-7/27	5	\$130R/\$156N
75760	M-F	9:00am- 2:00pm	8/6-8/10	5	\$130R/\$156N



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## Summer Science Fun

5-10Y

Campers will discover the world of science and how it interacts in their daily lives. The Stevens Creek Corridor provides the perfect backdrop to observe science and nature in action. Each week is filled with experiments, games, and adventures including an all-day field trip. Each camper will receive a T-shirt. Camp runs from 9:00 am - 5:00 pm on the day of field trip. No camp 7/4.  
**Instructor: Staff**

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#### 5-7Y

Codes	Days	Times	Dates	Mtgs	Fees
75773	M-F	9:00am- 2:00pm	6/18-6/22	5	\$180R/\$216N
75775	M-F	9:00am- 2:00pm	7/16-7/20	5	\$180R/\$216N

#### 7-10Y

Codes	Days	Times	Dates	Mtgs	Fees
75774	M W-F	9:00am- 2:00pm	7/2-7/6	4	\$144R/\$173N

#### 8-10Y

Codes	Days	Times	Dates	Mtgs	Fees
75776	M-F	9:00am- 2:00pm	7/30-8/3	5	\$180R/\$216N



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## NATURE ACTIVITIES

### Family Bug Days

4Y+

Come out and learn about creepy, crawly creatures with your children as you join a naturalist on a bug hunt in the nature preserve. Find out what tools and techniques entomologists use to find and capture insects. Children under 12 must be accompanied by a registered adult. **Instructor: Staff**

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Codes	Days	Times	Dates	Mtgs	Fees
75751	Sa	3:00pm- 4:30pm	3/31	1	\$5R/\$6N
75752	Sa	3:00pm- 4:30pm	4/28	1	\$5R/\$6N

## Exploring the Night Sky

5Y+

Learn how to recognize constellations, find planets, and other astronomical wonders using star charts, binoculars, and telescopes. As a bonus, we may see or hear the nocturnal wildlife of McClellan Ranch Preserve. Recommended for children age 10 and up. All children 14 and under must be accompanied by an adult registered in the program. **Instructor: Staff**

### McClellan Ranch Preserve Environmental Education Center

Codes	Days	Times	Dates	Mtgs	Fees
75750	Sa	8:00pm- 9:30pm	5/19	1	\$4R/\$5N

## Jr. Scientist's Club: Amphibians & Reptiles

5-8Y

Meet tadpoles, frogs, newts, salamanders, lizards, turtles, and snakes as we investigate the adaptations that help these creatures survive. Discover the habitats of native reptiles and amphibians, then observe and sketch them in the museum. **Instructor: Staff**

### McClellan Ranch Preserve Environmental Education Center

Codes	Days	Times	Dates	Mtgs	Fees
75754	Th	3:30pm- 5:00pm	5/17-5/31	3	\$28R/\$34N

## Jr. Scientist's Club: Birds

5-8Y

We'll learn about the many birds that live in the area, from tiny hummingbirds to large hawks and owls. We'll get a chance to observe bird behavior and learn about nests, eggs, migration, and more. **Instructor: Staff**

### McClellan Ranch Preserve Environmental Education Center

Codes	Days	Times	Dates	Mtgs	Fees
75755	Tu	3:30pm- 5:00pm	5/8-5/29	4	\$38R/\$46N

## Observing Wildlife

5-8Y

Put on your Sherlock Holmes hat as we learn to seek out signs of the animals of McClellan Ranch and interpret what we find. We'll safely and silently seek out some of these creatures to observe their habits and appreciate their beauty. **Instructor: Staff**

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Codes	Days	Times	Dates	Mtgs	Fees
75770	Th	3:30pm- 5:00pm	4/26-5/10	3	\$28R/\$34N



*Fawn caught napping in McClellan Ranch Preserve.*



Children feeding Pogo, McClellan's resident bearded dragon.

## ONGOING PROGRAMS

### Open House at the Nature Museum

Stop by the Nature Museum at the Environmental Education Center for a free visit and up close experience with live animal and nature displays. Fridays: 3pm-5pm, Saturdays: 11am-3pm, Sundays: 11am-3pm.

### Help with the Meadow Restoration

Volunteers, under the guidance of Grassroots Ecology staff, have been working hard to reintroduce native plants to the riparian meadow at McClellan Ranch. This important work improves habitat for local wildlife. If you would like to help out in the meadow and other Cupertino park areas along Stevens Creek, you may register for a habitat restoration event by visiting the Grassroots Ecology website, [www.grassrootsecology.org](http://www.grassrootsecology.org), and clicking on the calendar to bring up event information. For more information contact Jeremy Merckling at [jeremy@grassrootsecology.org](mailto:jeremy@grassrootsecology.org).

### Help Care for McClellan Ranch Preserve

Helping Hands is a volunteer program for ages 14+ that works to keep McClellan Ranch Preserve and the Stevens Creek Corridor beautiful by picking up litter, maintaining trails, removing invasive plants, and planting and caring for native plants. To learn more, email [mcclellan@cupertino.org](mailto:mcclellan@cupertino.org).

### Spring Nature Explorers

5-8Y

Spring is the perfect time to explore new growth at the McClellan Ranch Preserve. Let's investigate what changes the warmer weather brings to nature. Come join our exploration for little insects and fast-growing plants, and have fun enjoying games and crafts! **Instructor: Staff**

#### McClellan Ranch Preserve Environmental Education Center

Codes	Days	Times	Dates	Mtgs	Fees
75771	Th	3:30pm- 5:00pm	4/5-4/12	2	\$19R/\$23N

### Sprouting and Hatching

5-8Y

It's spring! What better time to explore the worlds of seeds and eggs! We'll plant a small garden and watch it grow. Let's discover what amazing changes occur as insects, frogs, and other creatures hatch and grow. A snack will be provided. No class 4/17. **Instructor: Staff**

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75772	Tu	3:30pm- 5:00pm	4/27-4/24	4	\$38R/\$46N

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Campers trekking through one of McClellan Ranch's fields.

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We'll be announcing additional fall events and activities, letting you know about seasonal changes, and posting local wildlife sightings.