



McClellan Ranch Preserve



FAMILY NATURE

Natural Fibers 5Y+
 Discover the diverse world of natural fibers. Watch as demonstrators spin, dye, weave, knit, and make cordage out of plant and animal fibers. Try a few hands-on activities yourself.

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Codes	Days	Times	Dates	Mtgs	Fees
80332	Sa	11:00am- 3:00pm	11/3	1	FREE

Instructor: Staff



MCCLELLAN RANCH

A Day at the Ranch 6-9Y
 Your child can spend an active day outdoors at McClellan Ranch Preserve on a day when no CUSD classes are scheduled. Crafts, stories & games will be included. A morning and afternoon snack will be provided, but participants must bring their own lunch.

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Codes	Days	Times	Dates	Mtgs	Fees
80001	F	9:00am- 3:00pm	9/21	1	\$55R/\$66N
80002	M	9:00am- 3:00pm	10/15	1	\$55R/\$66N

Instructor: Staff



YOUTH NATURE

Exploring Nature Through Crafts 5-7Y
 We'll try a nature-based craft each week and still take time to explore the surrounding nature preserve a bit. Learn to make paper, prints, cornhusks dolls and more.

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Codes	Days	Times	Dates	Mtgs	Fees
80212	Tu	3:30pm- 5:00pm	10/23-11/13	4	\$38R/\$46N

Instructor: Staff

Exploring Nature Through Chemistry 6-9Y
 Kids will perform a few experiments to discover properties of mild acids, crystals and starches. We'll take time each class for outdoor exploration as well

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Codes	Days	Times	Dates	Mtgs	Fees
80211	W	3:30pm- 5:00pm	11/28-12/12	3	\$28R/\$34N

Instructor: Staff

Jr. Scientist's Club: Bones, Skulls, & Skeletons 6-9Y

Discover what scientists learn from looking at the bones and skulls of animals through a variety of hands-on investigations.

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80262	Th	3:30pm- 5:00pm	10/4-10/25	4	\$38R/\$46N

Instructor: Staff

Young Naturalists Program 7th & 8th Grade

The Young Naturalists Program is an opportunity for 7th and 8th grade students to explore the natural world in the company of others who also enjoy being outdoors. The program will be challenging, but fun, and will encourage students to think like scientists as they learn about local plants and animals and conduct citizen scientist projects.

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Codes	Days	Times	Dates	Mtgs	Fees
80669	F	3:30pm- 5:00pm	10/5-11/30	8	\$50R/\$65N

Instructor: Staff No Class 11/23

Knitting with a Naturalist 7-12Y

Kids will make their own needles, learn to knit, help turn a muddy sheep's fleece into yarn and discover how fiber is obtained from various plants and animals.

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80274	Th	3:30pm- 5:00pm	11/1-12/13	6	\$61R/\$73N

Instructor: Staff No class 11/22

PARENT/CHILD CLASSES

Parent/Child Crayfish Catching 6Y+

Learn a variety of techniques for capturing crayfish, and how to enjoy creekside nature activities like this without having an impact on sensitive species such as steelhead trout. Anyone over 16 will need a California Department of Fish and Wildlife Fishing License if they take a hands-on role in catching crayfish, but if you are welcome to join in without a license as an observer. Children must be accompanied by an adult registered in the program.

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Codes	Days	Times	Dates	Mtgs	Fees
80693	Sa	3:00pm- 4:30pm	9/29	1	\$4R/\$5N

Instructor: Staff

Parent/Child Tree Identification 6Y+

Get to know local trees while learning basics plant identification skills and take home a guide to common local trees. Children must be accompanied by an adult registered in the program.

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80694	Sa	3:00pm- 4:30pm	10/20	1	\$4R/\$5N

Instructor: Staff

BOOK CLUB

Natural History Book Club All Ages

Do you enjoy reading books on natural history, science, or environmental issues? Enjoy discussing these topics with others? We meet informally at McClellan Ranch Preserve every other month. On August 4 we'll discuss **How the Zebra Got Its Stripes: Darwinian Stories Told through Evolutionary Biology** by Leo Grasset, and October 1 we'll discuss **A Sand County Almanac** by Aldo Leopold. Feel free to join us even if you don't finish the book.

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80333	M	7:00pm- 9:00pm	9/10	1	FREE

Instructor: Staff

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Looking for Volunteer Opportunities? Whether you're an individual or a small group, there are a number of volunteer options for you at McClellan Ranch Preserve.

Grassroots Ecology While volunteering with McClellan Ranch Preserve Partner, Grassroots Ecology, you will learn interesting things about the natural world while making a positive impact on the environment. There will be opportunities for people of all ages and skill levels to help with planting, weeding, and creek monitoring at McClellan Ranch Preserve. To see opportunities and to sign up, visit www.GrassrootsEcology.com and click on the event calendar.

Helping Hands Lend us your hands and enthusiasm at McClellan Ranch Preserve and the Stevens Creek Corridor. Volunteers, ages 14+, pick up litter, maintain trails, or remove invasive plants. Look for scheduled volunteer activities on the McClellan Ranch Preserve Facebook page or email mcclellan@cupertino.org to discuss volunteer events for your group.

McClellan Ranch Volunteer We are seeking volunteers who are looking to make a greater commitment at McClellan. You could be:

Trail Volunteer! Be the eyes, ears, and face of McClellan Ranch Preserve along the trails. Answer questions, report trail conditions, and educate visitors all while stretching your legs in the beautiful outdoors.

Environmental Education Center Host! Inspire eager children and adults to learn about the wonders of the natural world and the EEC resident animal ambassadors during Open House hours, weekends 11-3pm.

Environmental Education Docent! Help teach elementary age students about the importance of nature, science, and getting their hands dirty during environmental science field trips as a Docent from 9am-1pm on weekdays for environmental science field trips.

Training is provided. If any of these opportunities interest you email mcclellan@cupertino.org or call 408-777-3357.

ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION CENTER

Stop by the Nature Museum at the Environmental Education Center for a free visit and up close experience with live animal and nature displays.

Saturday & Sunday 11am-3pm