HUNT HILL’S MISSION

Hunt Hill is a nature preserve and learning center, open to all, dedicated to fostering understanding, appreciation, and protection of the environment.

WHY HUNT HILL?

Hunt Hill has everything needed to provide your students with environmental education. Hunt Hill features diverse habitats, 13 miles of trails, excellent facilities, and a staff dedicated to serving your students.

WHERE IS HUNT HILL?

Hunt Hill is located in Sarona, WI, which is just:

- 20 mi North of Rice Lake
- 15 mi South of Spooner
- 14 mi West of Birchwood
- 10 mi East of Shell Lake

Hunt Hill Audubon Sanctuary
N2384 Hunt Hill Rd.
Sarona, WI 54870.

HOW DO I SCHEDULE A FIELD TRIP?

Call or email
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For more information, please visit www.hunthill.org
**Middle School Activities**

**Essential Question:** How can I experience nature in my life?

**Bog Exploration**
Students will hike down to the bog and walk on the bog mats. They will get to explore the characteristics of the bog, identify plants, and learn about the rich history of bogs including the story of the Tolland Man.

**Canoeing**
Students will learn basic canoe safety, the parts of a canoe and paddle, and the simple forward stroke. Then, under lifeguard supervision, students will paddle with a partner around Hunt Hill’s Twin Lakes.

**Geocaching**
Students will learn what a GPS unit is and the basics of how they work. Then students will work with a partner to navigate the main camp area in search of geocaches hidden around camp.

**Hiking**
Students will complete a two-mile hike while learning tips, tricks, and games that keep hiking interesting and enjoyable for all. They will engage their observational skills throughout the hike.

**Want to Stay Overnight?**
Hunt Hill has overnight accommodations available from the beginning of May through the end of September. You may sleep outside in tents or stay in the rustic dorms. Contact us for more information about overnight trips!

For full descriptions visit www.hunthill.org
Click on Programs -> School Programs
Each field trip begins with a **Welcome Circle**, where the students are welcomed to Hunt Hill and they learn the expectations for the day.

After the welcome circle, students are **split into groups of about 10 students** each. For example, a class of 45 students would be split into four groups of 11-12 students/group.

**Each activity rotation lasts for an hour.** Adjustments can be made depending on arrival and departure times.

Students **bring bagged lunches** from home or school and get a break to eat about mid-day.

The day ends with a **Closing Circle**, where students reflect on and share their experiences.

**What About Rainy Days?**

Field trips continue rain or shine! In the case of dangerous weather conditions, alternative indoor activities are used.
WHAT DO WE NEED TO BRING?

Hunt Hill provides all of the materials for activities and has first aid supplies on hand in case of emergency.

Student Packing List:
- Weather-appropriate clothes that students can get dirty or wet.
- Shoes that students can run and hike in.
- Water bottles
- Packed lunches.
- Sunscreen
- Bug spray (optional)
- Hat or sunglasses (optional)

Overnight Field Trip
Packing List Additions:
- Pillow
- Sleeping bag or sheets & blankets
- Pajamas
- Toiletries
- Change of clothes
- Flashlight

HOW MUCH DOES IT COST?

Hunt Hill Led Field Trips
Hunt Hill provides the environmental educators, all necessary facilities and materials and leads the welcome and closing circles.

Full Day $8/student
Half Day $4/student

Self-Led Field Trips
You provide your own educators. Hunt Hill provides the tools and materials for your programs and does a brief orientation.

Self-led $3/student

Not sure if you can afford a field trip?
We can help you find and apply for scholarships! Give us a call: 715.635.6543

Overnight Field Trips
Pricing for overnight field trips is dependent upon the services and activities you need. Below are the ranges of costs for Hunt Hill led activities and services:
- Accommodations: $10-40/person
- Meals: $6-11/person
- Evening Activities: $4-8/person

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WHY ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION?

Activities are hands-on and interactive, which helps students learn and make connections.

Environmental education encourages physical activity, which helps keep students active and engaged.

Place-based learning adds context and makes learning relevant to students’ lives.

Time in nature has been shown to benefit mental and physical health.

For more information about the benefits of environmental education, visit http://eeinwisconsin.org/.