The mission of Nahant Marsh Education Center is to protect, enhance, and restore the Marsh through education, research, and conservation. Our vision is to foster wonder, appreciation, and stewardship of the natural world.

Education Center Hours
Monday—Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

There is no fee to visit the Education Center, but donations are always appreciated.

Preserve Hours
Open Daily from Sunrise to Sunset
If the main gate is locked, trails are accessible from the front parking lot. Look for the opening in the fence near the kiosk.

Want to Know More?
Contact us about joining the Friends of Nahant Marsh, volunteer opportunities, or to sign up for our email list. Call 563.336.3370 or email nahantmarsh@eicc.edu.

Getting to Nahant Marsh

From Davenport, Iowa—Take Highway 22 south (Rockingham Road), turning left on Wapello Avenue (the last turn before the I-280 overpass).

From Rock Island, Illinois—Take I-280 into Iowa to the Highway 22/Rockingham Road exit. Turn right onto Highway 22, and then right onto Wapello Avenue.

Follow Wapello Avenue toward the river. Nahant Marsh will be on the left just before the railroad crossing.

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Connecting People with Nature

Nahant Marsh is the documented home for nearly 500 different types of plants and mushrooms, and nearly 175 different types of birds, 41 mammals, 14 reptiles, and 7 amphibians, including several rare and endangered species.

The trails, bird blind, dock, and viewing platform at Nahant Marsh allow you to experience different habitats including wet prairie meadow, sand and mesic prairies, open water habitat, bottomland woods, and vernal ponds. Nahant Marsh is a great place to explore wildlife and learn about the flora that once covered much of the landscape in Iowa. As a preserve, we allow low-impact recreation activities such as:

- Bird watching
- Wildlife and landscape photography
- Hiking
- Snowshoeing and cross-country skiing on trails
- Picnicking
- Biking on paved surfaces

To enhance your experience, you can borrow nets, binoculars, and guide books from us during your visit.

Don’t miss saying “hello” to our Animal Ambassadors like Captain, the Blanding’s turtle. Our resident turtles, snakes, and salamander represent native species of Iowa’s wildlife. They provide unforgettable hands-on experiences for visitors. All are available for “adoption,” which helps to pay for their care, feeding, and veterinary check-ups. Visit www.nahantmarsh.org/adopt-an-animal to learn more.

Environmental Education

Through Eastern Iowa Community Colleges, the Nahant Marsh Education Center offers a wide variety of environmental education programming for:

- School groups
- Scout groups
- Homeschools
- Early learners
- Church groups
- Colleges
- Senior groups
- Nature lovers of all ages!

Check our online calendar for upcoming events and programs: www.nahantmarsh.org/events.

To schedule a field trip, group visit, facility rental, or birthday party, contact Amy at aloving@eicc.edu or 563.336.3373.

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