



2018-2019 Homeschool Schedule

September 28 – Insectigations: Learn about the exciting world of insects! Students will discover the important relationships between humans and insects while exploring the nature preserve.

October 26 - Migrating Waterfowl: Students will learn about bird migration patterns, adaptations, and why different species choose to head south for the winter. Nahant Marsh is a great place to observe these migrating birds.

November 30 - Native Americans: Learn how Native Americans lived off the land and used natural resources to build shelters, clothing, and gather food. Students will get the opportunity to play several Native American games!

December 14 - Animal Signs: Discover how animals survive the winter in the Midwest! Students will become familiar with animal tracks and other signs of mammal life at the marsh.

January 25 - Backyard Birds: Birds have many adaptations that help them survive the cold winter months. Students will learn about songbird adaptations, construct a bird feeder from recycled materials, and learn to identify the birds that visit backyard bird feeders.

February 22 - Planets, Moon, and Stars: Students will learn to identify constellations and study the history behind some of the most famous night sky events. Discover how far apart the planets in our solar system are and why humans are fascinated with space exploration.

March 29 - Weather- Tornadoes, Hailstorms, and Blizzards- oh my!: Students will discover the science behind extreme weather phenomenon and learn to measure and record weather in their backyard.

April 26 - Snake Studies: Students will learn about snake adaptations and how they survive in different environments. Research techniques and live snakes will be part of this lesson.

May 31 - Turtle Studies: Learn about the different turtle species found in Iowa and meet live turtles! Students will help check turtle traps at Nahant Marsh and record data if weather permits.