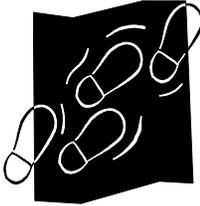


SPORTS FACILITIES

Tennis and basketball courts, a disc golf course and open field areas are available on a first come, first served basis if no reservation has been made. Baseball and softball fields are available for rent.

TRAILS

All of our parks have hiking trails winding across their lands. These trails provide wonderful places to enjoy nature, exercise, and share time with family and friends. Maps are available online for all Parks.



CAMPING

Mill Creek Campground provides primitive sites for group camping. Water is available and costs for the required permit are minimal. Reservations are required; for more information please contact our Main Office at 717-299-8215.



The Department of Parks and Recreation is devoted to the citizens of Lancaster County. We strive to make life better through education,

recreation and the management of open space for the use of all people.

If you have any questions concerning this material, fees for rentals and programs, or are interested in something other than what is listed, please call us at any time. We would be happy to discuss any other ways in which we may be of service. We look forward to hearing from you.

Thank You!

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Opportunities for Boy Scouts



in Lancaster County Parks



The Lancaster County Department of Parks and Recreation manages nine parks, including three recreational trails. With our diverse resources, we can provide many opportunities for the Boy Scouts of Lancaster County and surrounding areas. From group camping to individual work on merit badges, we can assist Scouts in meeting their Scouting goals. Following is a list of various ways we can assist all levels of Boy Scouts from Tiger Cubs to Eagles and beyond.

EDUCATION

The Lancaster County Environmental Center is a Division of the Parks Department which focuses on environmental education. The EE Team presents thousands of programs each year on topics such as wildlife, plants, outdoor living skills, Native Americans and many others. Presentations may be tailored for large groups or small, young or old. For more information on the costs of programs, call our office or visit our website.

TIGER CUBS



While much of Tiger Cubs is completed within the family and den units, we can enhance many programs and help everyone get the most out of various activities. The Environmental Education Team can present programs on weather, trees, animals and conservation. They can also lead discovery hikes in any of our parks focusing on a topic of your choice.

BOBCAT AND WOLF

For the Bobcat, we can visit den meetings and present programs on any nature topic of interest. We can assist in advancement for Wolf as well. Programs on Native Americans, birds and knots are popular. Several team members are certified by the PA Fish & Boat Commission to teach the SMART Angler introduction to fishing program.



BEAR

For the upcoming Bear we offer many activities. From bird box construction to wildlife, nature crafts to maps and orienteering, we can develop fun and educational programs to help meet your Scouts' needs.



WEBELOS

We offer programs to fulfill all the requirements for the Naturalist, Forester, and Geologist Activity Badges. We can also provide programs to meet some of the requirements for the Scientist and Outdoorsman Badges. We may also be able to assist in finding a conservation project to fulfill a requirement for the Cub Scout World Conservation Award.

BOY SCOUTS

Members of our team are registered counselors for several merit badges.

They include:

- ◆ Bird Study
- ◆ Environmental Science
- ◆ Fish & Wildlife Management
- ◆ Fishing
- ◆ Forestry
- ◆ Geology
- ◆ Mammal Study
- ◆ Nature
- ◆ Reptile & Amphibian Study
- ◆ Soil & Water Conservation



Additionally, we may assist with programs to fulfill some requirements for the Botany, Camping, Canoeing, Gardening, Indian Lore, Insect Study, Oceanography, Orienteering, Pioneering, Weather and Wilderness Survival merit badges.

PROGRAM SCHEDULING

Programs are scheduled on a first come, first served basis, so advance planning is encouraged. Fees are charged for all group programs; please check the website or call for current rates.

Groups may schedule programs at the Environmental Center, any of the nine Lancaster County Parks, or an off-site location. Naturalist time is billed by the program hour.

For additional information or to schedule a program, please call the Environmental Center at 717-295-2055.

OTHER RESOURCES

COUNTY POOL

The County Pool provides an excellent place to swim and pool staff offers lessons for beginning to advanced swimmers with discounted group rates available.

SHUTS ENVIRONMENTAL LIBRARY

The Shuts Library houses nearly 5,000 books related to nature, the environment and conservation. Our resources are helpful to students, teachers, and can help Scouts meet different requirements by providing necessary information. Your Lancaster County Library Card is all you need to check out a book.



RENTAL FACILITIES

Pavilions (both open and enclosed) and meeting rooms are available to rent for meetings, training sessions, or other activities.