Bonnyvale Environmental Education Center

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NATURE EXPLORERS SUMMER CAMP

June 30th – August 8th, 2025 for children ages 4-11

An opportunity to connect with nature, reunite with friends, and experience BEEC in the summer through outdoor excursions, hands-on activities, games, crafts, stories, and songs. The Summer Staff Team are looking forward to being with your children this summer!

Let us know if you have any questions.

Daily health screening: Each morning, please complete a health screening at home before coming to camp. Please stay home if not well.

DIRECTIONS TO BEEC: 1221 Bonnyvale Rd

From Brattleboro: Take Route 9 West into West Brattleboro. Take the second left after the West Brattleboro Fire Station onto Bonnyvale Road. Please note: the speed limit on Bonnyvale Rd is 25 mph and please help us respect our neighbors by driving the speed limit. Go 2.2 miles up steep inclines. BEEC is on the right side as you head downhill. Please park in the large parking area below the white farmhouse. When you arrive, walk to the courtyard behind the white farmhouse. Look for us there!

TO REACH US AT CAMP: BEEC 802-257-5785

Ouestions for the Director? Kristina@beec.org cell: 802-451-6808

WHAT TO BRING TO CAMP: It's helpful if belongings are labeled. Camp is active and outdoors all day. Children must be prepared to be outside with appropriate clothing and supplies.

- Please have your child **dress in layers** for a full day outdoors. At BEEC it can be cool and wet in the mornings before it warms up.
- Sneakers or other comfortable **closed-toed footwear** are a must each day.
- A small **daypack** to be able to carry the following items into the field:
 - A water bottle, just for water. Our goal is to stay hydrated. Please talk with your child about the importance of drinking water.
 - A hearty **lunch** and good-sized **snacks**. We will be very active! * Extra snacks if staying for aftercare.
 - A hat and sunscreen. Please help or have them apply this before you drop them off.
 - **Insect repellent**, if desired. Please help or have them apply this before you drop them off.
- A tote bag with the following items, which will be left at their classroom for the day.
 - A **swimsuit** and **towel**. We often set up a small water slide for cooling off in the afternoon.
 - o A rain coat, rain pants, and rain boots or other shoes for wet weather or muddy adventures.
 - A change of clothes, in case we get drenched with fun.

Drop-off & Pick-up

Drop-off between 8:45 - 9:00 am Please do not arrive earlier than 8:45 a.m. as staff are busy preparing for the day's activities.

Pick-up between 3:00-3:15 pm Aftercare Mon - Thu 4:00 pm Please be prompt! If you are late there will be a charge of \$1/min.

Please sign in & sign out with camp staff. Thank you!



Be tick smart!

- ★ We will do frequent simple tick checks throughout the day.
- ★ Please do a thorough head to toe tick check at the end of each day.
- ★ Here are a few other things you can do:
 - Wear light colored clothing so ticks are visible on clothing.
 - Wear long sleeves and long pants, tuck pants into socks, tuck shirt into pants, to create a barrier to the skin.
 - Use an insect repellent of your choice on clothing and exposed skin.

Reminder: All families are expected to read and adhere to the policies shared in the Nature Explorers Family Handbook available at https://www.beec.org/what-we-do/youth-programs/day-camp-programs/summer-camp/