

A Day in the Life of a WCS Camper

A day of camp includes a wide variety of activities ranging from animal encounters and STEM challenges to imaginative play and nature walks. While activities and themes vary by age group, below is a brief outline of a typical day for a camper. *Note that timing, activities, and order of activities will vary

Full Day Schedule

8:45 - 9:00 am Drop-off and check-in
9:00 - 9:30 am Welcome and introduction to daily theme
9:30 - 10:30 am Exhibit visit or animal experience
10:30 - 11:00 am Snack and free play
11:00 - 11:30 am Animal meet & greet in the classroom
11:30 - 12:00 pm Choice activity (experiments, crafts, exploration)
12:00 - 1:00 pm Lunch and free play
1:00 - 1:30 pm Exhibit visit or animal experience
1:30 - 2:00 pm Animal meet & greet in the classroom
2:00 - 2:45 pm Nature play (games, sensory play, search for animal homes etc.)
2:30 - 2:45 pm Closing circle, journaling, and pack-up
2:45 - 3:00 pm Dismissal

Half Day Schedule

8:45 - 9:00 am Drop-off and check-in
9:00 - 9:30 am Welcome and introduction to daily theme
9:30 - 10:30 am Exhibit visit or animal feeding
10:30 - 10:45 am Snack and free play
10:45 - 11:00 am Animal meet & greet in the classroom
11:00 - 11:30 am Choice activity (experiments, crafts, nature play)
11:30 - 11:45 am Closing circle, songs, and pack-up
11:45 - 12:00 pm Dismissal

Caregiver and Camper Schedule

*Note that timing, duration, and order of activities may vary by location

15 Minutes Check-in and exploration play
15 Minutes Welcome and introduction to daily theme
30 Minutes Animal meet & greet in the classroom
15 Minutes Craft or Activity time
15 Minutes Exhibit visit and dismissal