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Summer Program Recap



Conservation Kids Camp had a total of 48 campers aged 9-12. We had a blast hiking the trails, looking for wildlife, and playing in the creek!

L.E.A.F! Academy, our teen leadership program, saw 12 students dive into the world of field biology as they learned about different types of conservation research projects.



Our summer interns completed independent studies on riparian mammals and bat activity patterns, and got to present their research posters at the Thomas More Biology Field Station!

State Cost Share and EQIP Deadlines

[State Cost Share](#) and the [Environmental Quality Incentives Program \(EQIP\)](#) are cost-share programs that help landowners address existing soil erosion, water quality, and other environmental problems associated with their farming or woodland operations, while also benefiting those downstream.

Those wishing to apply for either of these programs may contact the NRCS Soil Conservationist located in the Burlington office: Christopher.Rawson@usda.gov

The deadline to apply for either of these programs is the end of October 2024.

Earl and Hazel Jones Center for

Conservation



BCCDKY staff and volunteers have been hard at work building trails and maintaining the property at our new [Center for Conservation](#). One of the major ongoing chores is the management of invasive species - especially honeysuckle, poison hemlock, and multi-flora rose. However, we have been able to establish several trails that wind through the forest

and along the creek so that our visitors can enjoy this natural habitat. Many thanks to our partners with Boone County Property Maintenance for helping fix up the barn, which is used for both storage and classroom space.

There are several opportunities to visit the property this Fall - scroll down for more info and stay tuned for more program announcements!

Plus, [read this great blog](#) from Green Umbrella's Greenspace Alliance about the property!

Upcoming Events

Registration is required for each event. Please visit our website for program details and registration info

[Meet a Greenspace Hike](#)

August 16 - Center for Conservation

Join others from around the tri-state for a hike with Green Umbrella's Greenspace Alliance.

[KY Watershed Watch Training](#)

September 14 - Center for Conservation

Learn how to collect water quality data from your local streams.

[Monarch Tagging for Homeschoolers](#)

September 17 - England Idlewild Park

Learn about monarch migration and help us catch and tag butterflies.

[Guided Nature Hike](#)

September 19 - Center for Conservation

Explore the trails and visit the ruins of the old grist mill.

Bat Hike

September 25 - Middle Creek Park

Try out our acoustic bat detectors!

Monarch Tagging

September 28 - England Idlewild Park

Learn about monarch migration and help us catch and tag butterflies.

Volunteer River Sweep and Work Party

October 5 - Center for Conservation

Help us pick up trash, remove invasives, and maintain the trails.

More events will be posted soon... stay tuned for updates!

And don't forget! Our Board of Supervisors meets every third Thursday of the month at 6 p.m. in the Rouse Room of the Boone County Extension Office. All are welcome. Meeting agendas and minutes are posted here:

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