School Programs at Swan Lake









School programs at Swan Lake Nature Sanctuary are a fun and engaging way for students to connect with nature, experience Swan Lake, and address BC science curricular content.

Seasonal program themes help participants connect with key plant and animal species found at the Sanctuary during that time of year.

Each 1-hour program is led by a trained Nature Educator, and includes hands-on learning, games and activities. Content can be adapted to your grade and group needs.

Cost: $150 for each class (max. 28 students)

Learn more: swanlake.bc.ca/on-site-programs/

Questions? Email **programs@swanlake.bc.ca**

Swan Lake Nature Sanctuary

Learn more

Winter Offerings

Garry Oak Ecosystems

Grades K-5 or Grades 6-8, Year round

Connect with this vital, unique, and endangered ecosystem found in our backyard. Students will learn about biotic and abiotic features as well as the Indigenous uses and historical significance of the plants in these oak-camas meadows





Whoooo Lives Here? Owls in our Backyard

Grades K-5, September - December

Get up close and personal with our many owl neighbours! Interact with owl specimens, learn their key features, step into the role of owls in the ecosystem, discover ways to identify owl habitat, and dissect an owl 'pellet' to find out what they eat.

Winter Animals

Grades K-5, November - March

Explore the seasonal changes that happen at Swan Lake and how animals here sense and respond to them. Consider the impacts that humans have had on their survival and how we can be better neighbours to our overwintering residents.





Salmon in our Watershed

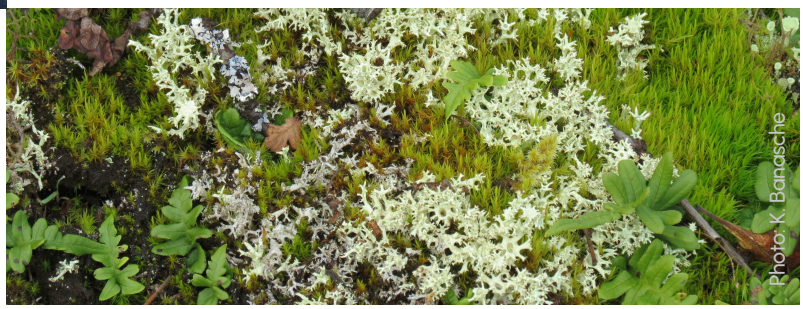
Grades K-5, February - April

Learn about these amazing fish that inhabit our rivers and oceans. Learn how salmon continue to be an important cultural, spiritual and sustenance species for the Coast Salish people. Discover the various species that are found locally,.

Mosses, Ferns & Lichen

Grades K-5, October - February

Learn about decomposition and the many organisms that are involved in this important process. Explore how decomposers are crucial to the flow of energy and nutrients in the broader ecosystem.



Standard program days: Wednesdays from January - March
9:30 AM - 10:30 AM; 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM; 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM

Registration required - enrollment completed online - please see our Events Calendar for offerings. Additional dates or times can be requested .