

Camp Habitat Parent Survey Comments 2006

Nature Sprouts (Ages 4 – 5)

- *The program fostered her independence from family and friends and helped her prepare for school.*
- *He loved the nature walks.*
- *She came home happy and tired. ☺*
- *They interacted with others, did group activities that were age-appropriate and outdoor/nature oriented.*
- *She showed her little brother everything. She had a great time!*
- *She told us about different types of birds and why they migrate.*
- *He learned about nature, animals and getting along with other children.*
- *She sang songs and showed us plants she learned about.*
- *He wanted to read books related to the topics he learned about at camp.*
- *She sang the "Habitat Song" everyday.*
- *She learned appreciation and respect for nature and all living things.*
- *He learned about bugs and I could hear him singing the camp song while going to sleep at night.*
- *He enjoyed hiking and learning about the wild creatures at the refuge.*

Nature Detectives (Ages 6 – 7)

- *She was proud not to have garbage in her lunchbox!*
- *She learned how to have great fun with a diverse group of kids in a different setting. Great instructors!*
- *She got a lot out of the first day's 'habitat' session, and talked a lot about "space," "food," "water" and "shelter."*
- *He constantly explained things to his brother and kept reminding me to pack a "no trash lunch."*

Water Striders (Ages 8 – 9)

- *He made new friends; and learned more awareness of nature and the environment. The campout was a big confidence-booster for him.*
- *He described what he learned about salmon and bears; he showed hi project around the Chum Salmon.*
- *This wasn't just a "daycare" but an excellent experience my son will always remember. Thank you!*
- *The instructors did an excellent job instilling self confidence in my son considering this was his first away-from-home experience.*
- *She took away ideas about Alaskan Interior habitats, animals and ecosystems.*
- *She shared information she learned through songs and crafts, described what guest speakers said, and told us what she did every day.*

Refuge Adventurers (Ages 10 -11)

- *The bear facts--he was very excited telling us about what and what not to do.*
- *He made creative things and camped out.*
- *He learned outdoor skills.*

Backpacking I, II & III (Ages 13 – 18)

- *Great experience!*
- *He learned teamwork.*

OTHER NOTES

Program Costs

Out of 75 parent surveys received, 70 said the cost of the program was reasonable (93%).

Some commented that the cost was "spendy," "a little on the expensive side" or "high," but also "apparently worth it."

Staff

Parent comments in general were extremely favorable and appreciative of the all of the instructors!