

Booking a Program with Eagle Point-Blue Rapids Parks Council

For more information on our programs, contact Eagle Point-Blue Rapids Parks Council at 780-898-7275 or email our Education & Outreach Coordinator at outreach@epbrparksCouncil.org

Disclaimer and Guidelines

Before completing the attached booking form, please read the booking information below. Upon submitting your booking request, Parks Council staff will contact to confirm your booking within 3 business days. Programs must be booked a minimum of one week in advance, however we highly recommend booking months in advance as we fill up our programming schedule quickly.

Programs are on a first come, first serve basis. For safety reasons, class/program sizes cannot exceed 25 participants unless decided after discussion with the Education & Outreach Coordinator. All programs are delivered FREE of charge with the exception of Snowshoe Rentals.

- *Eagle Point-Blue Rapids Parks Council reserves the right to cancel programs due to high winds, imminent thunderstorms, cold weather or other natural hazards, in order to keep participants safe.*
- *There may be a small facility charge at some locations. Discuss with Parks Council Staff.*
- *Transportation for programs within the Parks System are the school/organization's responsibility.*
- *Outdoor programs have inherent risks due to hazards present in natural settings. Our staff work hard to keep all participants safe. In return, we ask that all participants follow specific rules and guidelines set out below and at each program orientation. EPBR Parks Council reserves the right to remove participants who do not follow field trip guidelines or intentionally cause harm to other participants, Parks Council staff, facilities or natural areas.*

Please communicate the following information to your students/participants & volunteers before visiting the Eagle Point—Blue Rapids Parks System:

1. Many of the Parks Council's programs include visits to forests and/or wetlands. Please dress appropriately - layered clothing, closed toe shoes or rubber boots for spring to fall, winter boots for winter months. We highly recommend long pants for any forest excursions.
2. Depending on the program, students may wish to bring a notebook, pencil and clipboard. Discuss items required with Parks Council staff.
3. Please be considerate of the plants and animals you may encounter in our parks. We are visiting their home and need to be respectful and gentle. We do not intentionally harm ANY plants, animals(including insects) or fungi. Picking flowers or damaging living trees in provincial parks is prohibited.
4. Please plan to pack your litter out with you. Occasionally, we will have a garbage can and recycle bin available, but not every site has facilities. Litter is harmful to wild animals.
5. Please do not bring pets on a field study. They can be distractions for students and can be a danger to people and wildlife. Guide Dogs and Assisted –Living Dogs are the only animals permitted in Park buildings.
6. Many of our programs require participants to work in groups or teams. Please stay with your group at all times to keep everyone safe.
7. Please ensure that insect spray is applied away from other participants, staff and food. (During our Bugology and Wonders of Wetlands program, children will be required to wash their hands before handling organisms to remove any bug spray, sunscreen, hand lotion, etc. as ingredients in these items are harmful to aquatic organisms and insects).