



NORTH BEND STATE PARK

Monday, September 28th,
Nature Center Closed

Tuesday, September 29th,
9:00am-5:00pm-Nature Center
Open

10:30am-Jr. Naturalist Hike
(JN)-Join our Naturalist on a hike to Tunnel 13 connecting to the North Bend Rail Trail! This hike is on a gravel trail, less than 2mi in total.

12:30pm-Pinecone
Creatures-Use pinecones, pipecleaners, googly eyes and other craft materials to turn a pinecone into an animal!

2:30pm-Creek Critters
(JN)-Have fun collecting critters in the creek that can teach us about our river's water quality

4:00pm-Clothes pin
Critters-Stop into the Nature Center and let our Naturalist teach you how to make some cool critters out of a clothes pin and other craft supplies!

Wednesday, September 30th,
9:00am-5:00pm Nature Center

10:30am-Pollinator Visit
(JN)-Our Park Aid will give you a tour of our Pollinator Garden and then you will get to color a pollinator of your own!

12:30pm-Scavenger Hunt-Have fun exploring the outdoors and searching for items on our Nature Center's scavenger hunt list!

2:30pm-Bug Friends (JN)-Join our Park Ranger for a fun adventure in identifying different insects around the park!

4:00pm-Friendship Bracelets-
Grab your Best Friend and come

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to the Nature Center to make a bracelet to lock in your friendship!

Thursday, October 1st,
Nature Center Closed

Friday, October 2nd
9:00am-4:00pm-Nature
Center Open

10:30am-Tracks and Scat
(JN)-Our Park Ranger will have a table set up in the Nature Center with scat and tracks of mammals found in WV! Come ask questions and learn how to identify them!

12:30pm-Animal Masks-Join us in the nature center to use our imaginations to make an animal mask of your choosing!

2:30pm-Games Outside-Grab a Ball and start a game of your own!

Saturday, October 3rd
Nature Center Closed

Sunday, October 4th
Nature Center Closed

Monday, October 5th
9:00AM- 4:00PM Nature
Center Open

10:30am-Tracks Bingo
(JN)-Test your knowledge of WV animal tracks! Play a few rounds of bingo in the Nature Center and learn some tracks you may never have seen before!

12:30pm-Nature
Notebooks-Grab a seat in the Nature Center and let us show you how to make your own personal nature notebook, then join us outside to write and draw what you see!

2:30pm-Scavenger Hunt-Have fun exploring the outdoors and searching for items on our Nature Center's scavenger hunt list!

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Tuesday, October 6th
9:00am-6:00pm-Nature
Center Open

10:30am-Searching for Sallies
(JN)-Join us in the nature center to learn more about salamanders and their habitat. Wear appropriate clothing/shoes so we can go hunting!

12:30pm-Animal Totems- come learn about what your Birthday means and about what animal resonates with your date and yourself!

2:30pm- Jr. Naturalist Hike
(JN)-Join our Naturalist on a hike to Tunnel 13 connecting to the North Bend Rail Trail! This hike is on a gravel trail, less than 2mi in total.

4:00pm-Sidewalk Chalk-Grab some chalk and draw your imagination!

Wednesday, October 7th,
9:00am-5:00pm-Nature Center
Open

10:30am-Bird Walk (JN)-Join the Naturalist on a hike along the Southern Railroad Trail to learn more about the birds in WV!

12:30pm-Nature
Notebooks-Grab a seat in the Nature Center and let us show you how to make your own personal nature notebook, then join us outside to write and draw what you see!

2:30pm-Turtle Game (JN)-Test your knowledge of Box Turtles! Play a few rounds of the Turtle Game and test your ability to live as one!

4:00pm-Spider Web Art-Make your own spider web while we teach you the importance of them!

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Thursday, October 8th
9:00am- 5:00pm Nature
Center

10:30am-Skull ID (JN)-Our Park Ranger will have a table set up in the Nature center filled with skulls of WV animals. Come test your knowledge and learn about skull ID!

12:30pm-Friendship
Bracelets-Grab your Best Friend and come to the Nature Center to make a bracelet to lock in your friendship!

2:30pm-Camouflage/Mimicry
(JN)- Wanna learn more about how animals camouflage and mimic other animals? Join us in the Nature Center as we teach you about them!

4:00pm-Color Walk-
Grab a cut out butterfly and let us pick a color for you. Then use your resources outside to cover it in that color!

Friday, October 9th,
1:45pm-5:00pm Nature Center
Open

2:30pm-Bug Friends (JN)-Join our Park Ranger for a fun adventure in identifying different insects around the park!

4:00pm-Dragonfly Art-Join us in the Nature Center to make a dragonfly out of art supplies!

Saturday, October 10th,
Nature Center Closed

Sunday, October 11th
Nature Center Closed

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Programs are available upon request throughout the year. This could include hikes, programs about specific topics, or programs for school groups. If you are interested in scheduling a program, please contact our Park Ranger, Destinee, at destinee.l.williams@wv.gov.

Please feel free to visit the front desk or our website to take a look at our 2026 Calendar of Events. This will show all our special events coming up throughout the year!

Don't forget to grab a self-guided scavenger hunt from the front desk when you arrive! This scavenger hunt will test your knowledge of local wildlife while you explore the park!

Junior Naturalist

JN is an environmental education program for children ages 6-16. Participants attend three activities to receive a certificate & patch.



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