



**Playcard Environmental Education Center Pre-visit Information Sheet**  
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**Playcard Camp Pre-visit Information Sheet**  
***Camp Available Thursday-Friday During the School Year***  
**Outdoor Science, Native Americans, and Team Building**

**What to Bring:**

Sleeping Bag (well insulated). \*\*If the temperature is below 40 degrees add extra blanket and toboggan.

Sleeping Pad (foam pad from Wal-Mart is best).

Full change of clothes (At least one full change).

Healthy Snacks.

Drinks.

Bag Lunch for the arrival day and/or the departure day. Bring two lunches if you plan on staying until lunch the following day.

Breakfast for the second morning.

Toiletries.

Flash light.

Bug repellent. (March - November)

Hat (optional).

Sun screen.

Band aids.

Water Bottle (Re-use a plastic drink bottle and have the bottles labeled with the student's name)

**PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:**

The students will be immersed into a challenge oriented character building science camp program. Students, working in teams, will receive first-hand experiences exploring the life within a primary successional field, an old-growth forest, and a black-water beaver-pond swamp habitat. Students will have an opportunity to be trained in bird identification, star/constellation viewing, animal tracking/trapping, soil identification, and orienteering (pending teacher request). They will collect and observe a variety of biotic (living) and abiotic (nonliving) components of habitats. These components include vertebrate animals, insects and their larva, soil samples, crustaceans, and plant species. Taxidermy specimens of wetland and upland mammals and birds will be included. The camp will allow students to see nature through the eyes of Native Americans by sleeping in Tipis and experiencing the art of firemaking, cordage weaving, and/or pottery bowl burning. Students will participate in the elements of Project Adventure. Project Adventure activities are correlated to meet the Life Skills section of the South Carolina education standards.

**Standards Addressed**

**Science:** Habitat exploration and study, predator/prey relationships and interactions, decomposition, positive and negative impact of plants, animals, and technology through time, light studies, sound studies, **Social Studies:** Native American culture. **Life Skills:** cooperation, leadership, integrity, discipline, and character.

**Register with Playcard's On-line calendar or call Ben Abercrombie: (843) 756-1277**

**Cost: \$15/Person includes night meal and morning breakfast**