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# 2024 CLASS-BASED PROGRAM GUIDE



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# BOOKING INFORMATION

## Facility Contact

Ernie Radbourne Pavilion in Muskoseepi Park:  
Call 780-538-0451

Vermicomposting Program:  
Call 780-538-0415

Or email us at [culture@cityofgp.com](mailto:culture@cityofgp.com) or visit [cityofgp.com/learning](http://cityofgp.com/learning) to submit the Class-Based Program Request Form.

## Booking Information

- Programs must be booked a minimum of seven days in advance.
- Please note that we accept a maximum of 30 students/participants per program.




## Cancellation Policy

- If the weather is deemed by both the teacher and the program instructor to be unfavourable, the program will be cancelled.
- Cancellation is recommended if there is a temperature of -20° celsius, with or without a wind chill factor for outdoor programs.
- Due to safety reasons, all pond programs will be cancelled if there is lightning.



















**Please use the following chart to help you identify the different educational programs that we offer.**

Program	K	1	2-3	4-5	6-7	8-9	10-11
Critters & Habitats at Crystal Lake							
Fun Facts About Bats							
Fur, Feathers & Northern Habitats							
Growing Plants							
Guided Cooking							
Oh Buoy!							
Pioneer Experience							
Pondlife at Muskoseepi Park							
Quality of Life Indicators Tour							




Program Legend:

-  Science Program
-  Social Studies Program
-  Health & Life Skills Program

All programs are one hour in length and \$30 with the exception of the Pioneer Experience and Guided Cooking programs (1.5 hours long and \$45) and the Quality of Life Indicators Tour (0.75 hours long and \$15.00). Programs match the Alberta Education Curriculum based on the grade(s) indicated, but can be adapted to suit a variety of grade levels.

Program	K	1	2-3	4-5	6-7	8-9	10-11
Rock Stars							
Sharing Indigenous Culture							
The Big 5							
The Buzz About Bees							
The Fur Trade							
The Seven Teachings							
Treaty 8 & Métis Scrip							
Vermicomposting (free)							
Waste? Not!							

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-  Science Program
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# CLASS-BASED PROGRAMS



## Critters & Habitats at Crystal Lake

Grades 2–5 | 1 hour | Crystal Lake

Meet us at Crystal Lake to discover the abundance of creatures that call the lake their home. Use nets and buckets to dip for pondlife and take a sneak peek at a variety of aquatic bugs and insects.



## Fun Facts About Bats

Grades 2–3 | 1 hour

Muskoseepi Park, virtual or in school

Did you know bats are the only mammals that can fly? This program is a fun way for students to learn all about bats and their vital role in nature's ecosystem. Learn about the different species in our region in this introductory lesson.



## **Fur, Feathers & Northern Habitats**

**Grades 2-3 | 1 hour**  
**Muskoseepi Park, virtual or in school**

Learn about animals in the Peace Country and how they contribute to the local ecosystem. This program focuses on the beaver, frog, swallowtail butterfly and great horned owl. Learn about habitats, life cycles and more!



## **Growing Plants**

**Grades 1 & 4 | 1 hour**  
**Muskoseepi Park or in school**

How do seeds become plants? What do plants need to survive? Each child will plant a seed to take home and nurture all on their own!



## **Guided Cooking**

**Grades K-12 | 1.5 hours**  
**Eastlink Centre's Cooking Classroom**

This fun guided cooking program is designed for your students to gain hands on experience in the kitchen while making a delicious meal. Meal choice includes: mini pizzas, baked mac and cheese or mini taco cups. Special requests may be considered.



## Oh Buoy!

Grade 2 | 1 hour

Muskoseepi Park, virtual or in school

Oh buoy! In this exciting program, explore what sinks, what floats and what makes an effective watercraft. Sink or float? Let's find out!



## Pioneer Experience

Grades K-5 | 1.5 hours

Grande Prairie Museum

Ever wonder what life was like as a settler? Learn about the community's olden days and participate in your choice of two pioneer activities including butter making, rope making, tub 'n scrub laundry and more!



## Pondlife at Muskoseepi Park

Grades 2-5 | 1 hour

Muskoseepi Park

Discover the abundance of creatures that call the Muskoseepi Park pond their home. Use nets and buckets to dip for pondlife and take a sneak peak at a variety of aquatic bugs and insects.





## Quality of Life Indicators Tour

Grades 9–12 | 45 minutes  
Grande Prairie Museum

Did you know: women didn't have the right to vote in Alberta until 1916? A teacher's average income in 1942 was \$840 a year? Learn all about regional peoples' quality of life in the olden days.



## Rock Stars

Grade 3 | 1 hour  
Grande Prairie Museum or virtual

Discover who the Canadian rock stars were and how they rolled! Learn the differences between rocks, minerals and fossils during this interactive experience.



## Sharing Indigenous Culture

Grade 4 | 1 hour  
Muskoseepi Park, virtual or in school

Learn about how the Indigenous people of Northern Alberta lived through hunting and gathering and working cooperatively with each other. Discover how they relied on nature to maintain their community.



## The Big 5

Grades K-1 | 1 hour

Muskoseepi Park, virtual or in school

Five senses fun! Students will use their sense of hearing, touch, smell, taste and sight as they experience the world around them!



## The Buzz About Bees

Grades 1-3 | 1 hour

Muskoseepi Park, virtual or in school

Did you know that only female bees have stingers? Learn about the life cycle of the honeybee and its unique role in the ecosystem. Discover how bees help humans and the environment!



## The Fur Trade

Grades 5-7 | 1 hour

Muskoseepi Park, virtual or in school

Did you know beaver was the most sought after fur? Discover how the trade of wildlife furs led to the development of Canada's economy. Explore the fur trade business and how it changed peoples lives.



## The Seven Teachings

Grade 2 | 1 hour  
Muskoseepi Park or in school

Gather around The Seven Teachings carpet and learn about traditional Indigenous knowledges and values. Listen to and practice saying words spoken in local Indigenous languages and understand the importance of oral storytelling.



## Treaty 8 & Métis Scrip

Grade 9 | 1 hour  
Muskoseepi Park or in school

Learn about Treaty 8 and Métis scrip and the impacts they have had on Indigenous culture and livelihoods. Listen to and practice saying words spoken in local Indigenous languages and create a keychain using a Métis finger weaving technique.



## Waste? Not!

Grade 4 | 1 hour | Muskoseepi Park

This program is an excellent introduction to learning about recycling, waste management and what we can do to help the environment. Students will have an opportunity to create their own piece of paper.



# OTHER ACTIVITIES



## Vermicomposting

All Ages | 1 hour

In school | Free program

Build a vermicompost bin (worm compost bin) for your classroom.

You will be provided with the bin, soil, worms and all the knowledge you need to have an indoor compost system.

**PLEASE NOTE:** The Vermicomposting Complimentary Program can only be booked by contacting Environment & Parks via 780-538-0415.

The program is adaptable for all ages.



## Edu-Kits

**Ages 6–12 | \$10 per kit | In school or at home learning**

We have rounded up our most popular science programs and transformed them into rentable, takeaway kits for teachers and homeschool teachers! Browse our Edu-Kits below to find the right fit for your students. Kits can be rented for one week at a time and are sanitized between rentals.

- **Creating Colour** (Grade 1)
- **Magnetism** (Grade 2)
- **Building with a Variety of Materials** (Grade 3)
- **Wheels and Levers** (Grade 4)
- **Electricity and Magnetism** (Grade 5)
- **Sky Science** (Grade 6)

**PLEASE NOTE:** Edu-Kits must be ordered and picked up from the Ernie Radbourne Pavilion in Muskoseepi Park. An additional \$50.00 deposit must be paid at the time of pick-up. The deposit will be reimbursed once the Edu-Kit is returned and all of the Kit's contents are accounted for and in good condition.



## Snowshoe Rentals

Perfect for winter outings on your own or with your class! Child and adult sizes are available. Please plan ahead — these are a “hot” item!

**Call us at 780-538-0451 to rent**

**Daily Rental: \$4 / pair or \$30 / class**

# TRANSIT INFORMATION

## GP Transit Class Pass

Special transit rates are available to school groups going on field trips travelling on any regular transit route.

Order your class pass by calling the Ernie Radbourne Pavilion in Muskosepi Park at 780-538-0451 during regular business hours. For current hours of operation, visit [cityofgp.com/parks-recreation](http://cityofgp.com/parks-recreation)





# TEACHER'S ROLE

**Prepare:** Proper clothing and footwear is essential for all programs.

**Participate:** Join in! Encourage student engagement and manage student behaviour.

**Pre-payment:** All programs must be paid for prior to the booking date.

**Help Keep Facilities Clean:** Eat in designated areas and clean up after use.

**Evaluate:** Please return the evaluation form. Your feedback helps us improve our programs and provide excellent service.





- **Over 15 unique program offerings**
- **Class-Based programs for K-12**
- **Multiple locations to choose from**

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