



Nature VISION NEWS

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DAY CAMPS: LEARN ABOUT LOCAL ECOLOGY WITH US!

Spring is here, and soon warmer weather and longer days will follow!

This spring, our After School Programs return. Students aged 6-12 are welcome to join us on Wednesdays from April through May in two locations: in [Redmond at Farrel-McWhirter Farm Park](#) and in [Sammamish at Beaver Lake Park!](#)

Registration is open for both locations.

Already planning for summer? So are we!

Nature Vision is bringing back our acclaimed summer camps to [Shoreline](#), [Redmond](#), and [Sammamish](#) this year. At our summer day camps, campers aged 6-12 will learn about and explore our local environment here in the Pacific Northwest.

Registration for Sammamish and Shoreline summer camps is open now, and registration for Redmond summer camps opens on April 25th.

For more general information about our day camps, visit naturevision.org/day-camp-programs.

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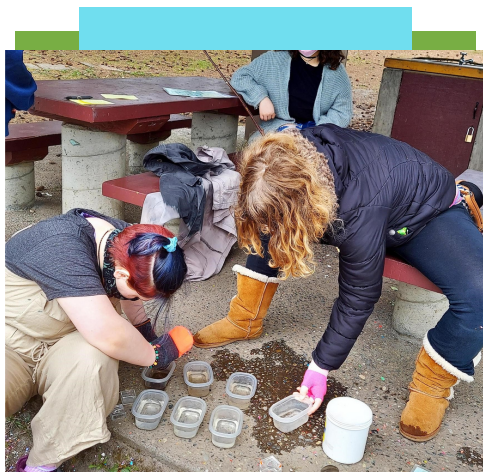
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Top left: After School students explore a local forest on a Nature Walk.
Top right: Student poses during our After School Program.
Above: After School student greets a resident cow at Farrel McWhirter Farm Park.



SPOTLIGHT: BLUE TEAM STEWARDSHIP PROJECT IN TUKWILA



Above: Students test the water quality of a local creek.
Top left: A high school student removes English Ivy at Crystal Springs Park during a Blue Team Program.
Top right: A high school student studies macroinvertebrates to assess the water quality of a local pond during a Blue Team Program.

Each year throughout King County, our Educators lead K-12 students in a watershed classroom program series culminating in stewardship projects. These programs, called [Blue Teams](#), educate local youth about the water resources and ecosystems in their neighborhood to help them foster sustainable stewardship values and practices in their own communities.

Nature Vision Educator Sarah recently led a Blue Team with an Environmental Science class in Tukwila who were interested in learning environmental education techniques.

As part of the Blue Team program, these students participated in multiple ecological programs and were exposed to different techniques used to teach others about the environment, such as participating in community science by testing the quality of the Duwamish River water. Their culminating restoration project involved safely removing invasive plants such as Himalayan Blackberry and English Ivy at Crystal Springs Park.

Interested in a Blue Team project for your class?

Reach out to our Program Coordinator, Sarah at szollner@naturevision.org, or to Dandy Thornman at fthornburgh@naturevision.org.

REGISTER FOR PROGRAMS!

The school year is wrapping up, and we still have Nature Vision Educators eager to bring programming to your classes! Check out our fully-funded science programs for your K-12 students (or pass the word on to any teachers you know) by visiting naturevision.org/free-programs-for-schools.

**In-person or remote,
we have you covered!**

SOCIAL MEDIA SHOUTOUT

Are you in need of some fun science facts to brighten up your Thursdays? Interested in staying up-to-date with our available classroom programming and day camp offerings?

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