

Curiosity is the driving force in the early years. Learning about the world and how to relate to it is the child's "job". The memorable lessons are the "AH-HA" moments when they figure things out on their own. They now own that idea forever.

DiscoverU opens the door and asks intriguing questions - questions that dive deeper - require exploring. There are no tests or grades. Each student learns in their own way and at their own pace. Some are readers, some need hands on. Some need social interaction and some thrive on independence.

Students meet in the Great Gatherings Tipi at Discovery Park, but then move to their home base in the woods, a self built campsite.

Activities are based on the seasonal changes and weekly themes. Most of the day is spent outdoors exploring the 10 acres of woods and fields, including several ponds, greenhouses, chickens, ducks, goats and millions of bugs and worms.

Kids need to discover the world of nature and their environment!

Activities include:

- Campsite/fire building
- How plants grow
- The environment around us
- Animals
- The biology of your body
- Reading the nonverbal clues around us
- Music in our lives
- Expanding creativity

Classes meet Monday and Wednesday from 9-3 at Earth Song Farm, Lodi, Ohio
Session runs 6 weeks starting June 13th through July 20th (except the 4th of July)
Cost is \$330 (that's \$5/hour)
Open to students from 4-12 years old
Team sizes range from 8-18 (Maximum of 12 for the youngest)

Outdoors - All Day!
Interacting with nature!
Working with Teammates!

Activities/Themes (potential)

- What is in dirt
- Plant life and growth
- Farm animals and local wildlife
- My biology and how it works
- Why and what do we eat?
- What is going on when I get sick?
- First Aid from bandages to CPR
- How do I communicate?
- Understanding non-verbal communications
- The power of music
- Identifying trees and edible plants
- Working with tools
- Maps and navigation
- Reading the weather
- Ropes and knots
- Fire building
- Storytelling
- Developing your creativity
- Daily challenges/activities

DiscoverU
at Earth Song Farm
A farm life experience!



"Today we're learning how to start a fire without a match. Then we're going to learn how to plant seeds and forage for a salad for lunch. After lunch under the canopy in the woods, we'll be analyzing the soil and bugs and will probably come home muddy. Yea!"

Interested? - Your kids will be!
More details and application at
www.EarthSongFarm.com

CALL FOR MENTORS!

Would you like to be a mentor in this kind of environment? It's kind of like camp counseling on steroids. Any one over 18 may be a mentor. No degree necessary, just a passion for kids and helping them discover their world. Creativity is a must since there are no books or lesson plans. Training will be provided. This is a well paid position.

Contact: 330-242-3772 Email: artbarn_cfarmer@hotmail.com

DiscoverU

Meets Monday and Wednesday from June 13th through July 20th (except July 4th), 6 weeks.

Classes are limited and filled on a first come basis with payment required at registration. No refunds after session begins.

Our goal is to guide young people in an exploration of the world around them to get the juices flowing so the natural inquisitiveness takes off. It also leaves more time for parents to spend with the other kids at home in a closer way.

Activities will be throughout the farm and learning to care for the animals and plants are included. Please pack a healthy lunch. DiscoverU will provide an organic snack and drink or water. Since we will be outdoors most of the time, wearing appropriate clothing is essential (includes rain gear and boots). You may want an extra set of clothes to remain on site just in case an accident happens and fresh clothes are needed. Several Porta-Potties will be available.

Parents are responsible for transportation to and from school. Activities start at 9 and go to 3 daily with 1/2 hour before and after this time allowed for drop off and pickup. Discovery Park is open til 6pm so you may want to bring the rest of the family to enjoy the park occasionally. Students get in at half price.

One overnight stay in Great Gatherings Tipi is included (date to be decided). Cindy and Steve and/or the teacher will be monitoring and there will be a campfire, storytelling, night hikes, stargazing and other activities appropriate for the kids. Dinner and breakfast will be provided. Some of the younger kids may not be ready for this level of adventure.

Registration and payment must be made prior to classes beginning!

Name of 1st Child _____ Age Group: __ (4, 5, 6) __ (7, 8, 9) __ (10, 11, 12)

Health or Dietary Restrictions _____

Name of 2nd Child _____ Age Group: __ (4, 5, 6) __ (7, 8, 9) __ (10, 11, 12)

Health or Dietary Restrictions _____

Name of 3rd Child _____ Age Group: __ (4, 5, 6) __ (7, 8, 9) __ (10, 11, 12)

Health or Dietary Restrictions _____

Name of Parent/Guardian _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Emergency Contact (other than parent) _____

For additional kids, use another sheet.

Waiver of Liability

By signing this waiver, you (parent/legal guardian) agree to waive liability to property and recreation owners and operators, property residents, vendors or service providers, DiscoverU teachers, and any other DiscoverU participants and/or visitors in the event of personal bodily injury while participating in activities on this property. Upon signature, you release DiscoverU and Earth Song Farm, free from legal action and will refrain from seeking legal action or on-line defamation.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Cost per student is \$330 payable upon registration - registration deadline: June 10th

Cash preferred • **Make check out to Stephen Andrews** • Credit cards may be used (call with number)
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