

# FUN & EDUCATION IN AN OUTDOOR CLASSROOM!

## Birding 101

**Grade Level:** 4-12  
**Duration:** 3-4 hours  
**Maximum number of students per day:** 100

The Lower Rio Grande Valley is recognized as a birding hotspot and attracts visitors from all over the world. Let us teach your students why South Texas is so biologically significant as we lead them on an avian adventure. Students will be guided in various activities such as how to use binoculars, field guides, and other tools of the trade. They will learn basic bird behavior through games and then use their new skills on a guided walk!



## Amazing Adaptations

**Grade Level:** K-12  
**Duration:** 3-4 hours  
**Maximum number of students per day:** 100

From beaks to feet, students will experience first hand all the amazing adaptations certain birds have evolved in order to survive. Hands-on games, crafts, and bird replicas will help reinforce the purpose of bird adaptations. Then together we will use our binoculars and set off to explore different habitats within the park on our search for various birds. Your students are sure to have fun learning as we put their new skills to the test on the trails!



## T.A.K.S. Review Workshop

**Only Science Testing Grades**  
**Duration:** 3-5 hours  
**Maximum number of students per day:** 100

Preparing for state science testing can be a challenge and we are here to help! Together with school district specialists and teachers we have created a fun educational science program that helps reinforce various biology concepts outside the classroom. Students will have fun visiting many hands-on science stations throughout the park as they review and witness various biological functions such as food chains and energy flow.



## Wetland Investigations

**Grade Level:** 5-12  
**Duration:** 3-5 hours  
**Maximum number of students per day:** 100

Students will be "wetland detectives" for the day as they learn the importance of clean, healthy water by investigating the physical and chemical health of our park's historic wetland. Your class will experience hands-on learning by using tools to collect important data. Students will then use the data to assess the quality of our wetlands. We will look at some of the largest and smallest organisms living in the wetlands and study the effects of pollution.



## Wonderful Wetlands

**Grade Level:** pre K-3  
**Duration:** 3-4  
**Maximum number of students per day:** 100

Teaching children about nature is one of our missions here at Resaca de la Palma State Park. This tactile program is tailored especially for the very young naturalists and uses interactive games, engaging demonstrations and colorful crafts to teach your students about all the wonderful plants and animals that inhabit south Texas. Your little eco-explorers are sure to be engaged during this hands-on program.



## Natural Scholars

**Grade Level:** 9-college  
**Duration:** self-guided  
**Maximum number of students per day:** 100

Resaca de la Palma State Park is committed to providing educational opportunities at all age levels. University Academia High School teachers are encouraged to utilize our 1200 acres of subtropical riparian woodland and thorn forest to reinforce their lectures. (Additionally, college students working with an advisor are encouraged to submit proposals for research permits).



Facilities and programs at Resaca de la Palma State Park are accessible to those with special needs.

To book a program with  
Resaca de la Palma State Park,  
Call 956-350-2920

Follow this easy 3-step process to booking YOUR program at Resaca de la Palma State Park:

### 1 Pick a topic.

Choose from six fun and educational programs or have us customize one for you. (please allow at least two weeks' notice for special request programs).

### 2 Pick a date.

Choose the day and time you would like to visit. Have a few back-up dates as well.

### 3 Call us at (956) 350-2920.

Dates fill up quickly, so call early to book your field trip today!

*Once you have successfully booked your program you will receive a confirmation letter and a pre-field trip packet to help you prepare for your visit.*

Programs are offered year-round from 7:00am - 10:00pm with a reservation.



### What about lunch?

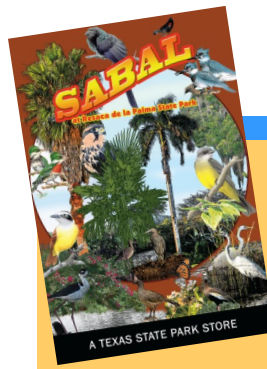
School groups are welcome to bring their own lunches and enjoy a picnic under our peaceful pavilion.

### Pricing

Prices per child for the program vary with length and supplies needed. Call for a quote.

Because we recognize the support provided by teachers and chaperones, if assisting with a school group they will NOT be charged an additional entry fee (fees for snacks and materials will be the responsibility of the individual adult or school).

Check out our Web site at [www.worldbirdingcenter.org](http://www.worldbirdingcenter.org) or find us on Facebook.



### Don't forget the gift shop!

A trip to the park's gift shop can be added to any field trip FREE of charge.

Books, games, binoculars, T-shirts, hats, stuffed animals, snacks and souvenirs can be found in our gift shop. Don't forget to have your students bring their spending money! All purchases in the gift shop support Texas State parks.

### Can't leave the classroom? Let us come to you!

We also offer OUTREACH programs that will come to you. Let one of our knowledgeable staff bring the wonderful world of wildlife to your classroom.

Call for program options and pricing: (956) 350-2920

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Life's better outside.

# FIELD TRIP OPPORTUNITIES



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# GUIDED TOURS HANDS-ON ACTIVITIES

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