



MONTANA NATURAL HISTORY CENTER

Spring 2011 After School Program at Hellgate Elementary



Join us for another spring of the Montana Natural History Center's **after school program!** Our program includes field trips to local natural areas, **exploration**, the opportunity to **learn new outdoor skills**, and **fun!** This spring, we'll be learning about the amazing world of birds! The after school program meets from **3:30-5:30 on Tuesdays** for five weeks, **starting April 12th**. The program is open to students in **grades 3-5** and will meet in **Ms. Criswell's room at 3:30**. After a brief introduction, students will be transported to a nearby natural area for a fun-filled and educational afternoon. The **price of the program is \$75** per student for the 5-week session. This fee includes transportation costs, all equipment, and a snack. **Contact the Montana Natural History Center at 327-0405 to register or with questions.** Applications also available online at www.montanaturalist.org. ***DEADLINE TO REGISTER IS April 8th.***

Dates:

April 12: Spring is migration time! We'll start learning about what challenges birds face on their epic journeys through an interactive game. We'll also start learning the names of some of the locals!

April 19: How cool would it be to have an owl nesting in your backyard? There are no guarantees, but we'll build an owl nest box and spend the afternoon learning about eggs!

April 26: Ever seen birds exhibiting some crazy courting behavior? Today we'll learn about some of the bizarre ways birds attract a mate, and make and fly a kite!

May 3: What's a raptor? Come learn about these amazing birds of prey through an interactive game. Then we'll see who we can find!

May 10: Today we'll learn about camouflage and birds! We'll play a fun game to see how many of us would be able to find enough food to survive in the wild, make t-shirts and try out our skills at camouflaging ourselves!



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