

West Bloomfield Parks & Recreation Nature Room

Nature Birthday Party Frequently Asked Questions

- **When do I have to pay for my party?**

All monies must be received no later than two weeks prior to your party. There is no deposit required.

- **How do I pay for my party?**

We accept cash, check (payable to "West Bloomfield Parks and Recreation") and credit cards (Visa and Master Card) for payment. To pay with a credit card by phone call 248-451-1900 or stop by the Recreation Activities Center. Office hours are: Mondays - Thursdays: 8:00 am to 7:00 pm, Fridays: 8:00 am to 4:30 pm.

- **How many guests can I bring to my party?**

The maximum number of children allowed is 16. No exceptions. We are limited by the size of the room. The number of adults is not limited, however there is no formal seating available for adults. We do require 1 adult per 5 children for supervision purposes.

- **What if I have children/siblings coming that are 1-2 years of age?**

Children under the age of one are free and not included in the head count. Children ages 1-2 years of age are included in the head count, since they will be participating in the activities and receiving a goody bag.

- **How early can I arrive?**

The birthday family may arrive up to 30 minutes before your party starts.

- **What's included in my party?**

Park Naturalist/party coordinator facilitates the first hour of the party with a live animal nature talk, game and hike or craft. Also included: basic balloons and streamers, goody bag for each child in attendance, private use of the Nature Room, set up and clean up, invitation PDF emailed to you at the time of booking, plates, napkins and utensils for the birthday dessert.

- **Can we bring our own decorations?**

All decorations are allowed, with the exception of piñatas and confetti.

- **Can we bring our own food?**

Yes, you are more than welcome to bring food. You may order food to be delivered to the Nature Room. Hungry Howies & Jimmy Johns deliver to the Recreation Activities Center. By request, a buffet table can be set-up in the hallway for your food. If you choose to bring food you will need to bring the plates, napkins and utensils for that food. The Nature Room provides plates, napkins and utensils for the birthday dessert only. You bring the dessert.

- **What does each child in attendance receive?**

Each child in attendance will receive a goody bag consisting of a 3 pieces of candy, Nature Room stickers and 4 trinkets that vary per bag (bubbles, plastic animal, etc). There is no need to spend your time on making goody bags; we have done it for you! However, if you'd like, parents can bring additional items to add to the bags the day of your party.

For additional questions visit <http://www.westbloomfieldparks.org/nature-birthday-parties.html> or contact the Nature Room Naturalist staff at 248-451-1917.