

## What Parents Are Saying:

"You have some REALLY amazing teachers. It seems like a day doesn't go by where my kids don't talk about or mention something that they learned in Nature School. Thank You!"



"The activities truly reinforced each topic and helped the children learn in many different ways. We are thankful that our son's learning strengths were reinforced, and we are impressed that his non-preferred learning styles were encouraged for him to try."



"We are SUPER sad to 'graduate' from our weekly Nature School visits. This program has been an excellent experience for our child and family. I would argue this is the finest and most developmentally appropriate preschool program in the area!!"



"Nature School is a wonderful preschool. The learning environment is positive and children are introduced to very big concepts in an age-appropriate way."



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# RIVER LEGACY NATURE SCHOOL



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## River Legacy Nature School

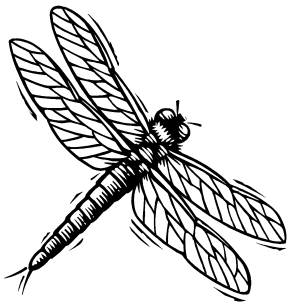
River Legacy Nature School provides an environment that encourages a child's inborn sense of wonder to flourish through indoor activities at the Living Science Center as well as during outdoor explorations.

The Living Science Center overlooks a forested park, allowing 3- through 5-year-old children to witness

classroom lessons coming to life. Students watch the leaves change colors as they discuss the "hows and whys" of the changing seasons, or observe squirrels storing

acorns while learning how animals prepare for winter.

Every Nature School session includes a trip into the woods, weather permitting. These adventures turn the forest into a fabulous hands-on learning lab.



Through their explorations of the environment and the creatures that inhabit it, children learn not only about nature, but about their place in it as well.



## Inquiry-Based Curriculum

Nature School's balanced curriculum encourages a hands-on, minds-on exploration of nature, enhanced through music, art, literature and dramatic play. Indoor and outdoor activities provide children with meaningful opportunities to develop math and science process skills. All lessons are age-appropriate and build on previous lessons as the class progresses.

**3-year-olds** focus on the plant and animal life of River Legacy Parks. They begin their year exploring the animal world, meeting woodland inhabitants such as squirrels and opossums, owls and woodpeckers, snakes, insects and spiders. In the spring, their focus shifts to the investigation of trees, wildflowers and mushrooms.

**4- & 5-year-olds** explore the varied habitats of River Legacy Parks, the creatures and plants that live there, and how they support each other. Their investigations include The Living Tree, The Forest Floor and The Creek, among others.

Nature School teachers eagerly share in the children's inborn sense of wonder. A ratio of two highly qualified teachers for every class of nine to 12 students assures that each child receives plenty of personal attention.



## All the Details

To be eligible for Nature School, a child must be 3, 4 or 5 years old (not yet enrolled in Kindergarten) as of September 1, and **must be fully toilet trained.**

Most children attend Nature School once a week from September to May (30

weeks) with the exception of one four year old class that attends class twice weekly. Classes meet in River Legacy Living Science Center, located adjacent to River

Legacy Parks at 703 NW Green Oaks Boulevard in Arlington.

Class times include half day and extended day options. See insert for a complete listing of times, dates and registration information.

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