Hickory Knolls Discovery Center 2023







Staff at Hickory Knolls Discovery Center

- Seasonal Summer Camp Staff
- Front Desk Attendants
 - Kevin Tate, Beth Maura, Beth Treichler
- Nature Program Facilitators
 - Hannah Makoui, Laura McKinsey,
 Lizzy Small, Lauren Mastio, Elizabeth Nowak
- Animal Curator and Custodian
 - Rachel Krotz
- School and Camp Coordinator
 - Morgan Brown
- Nature Programs Supervisor
 - Emily Shanahan



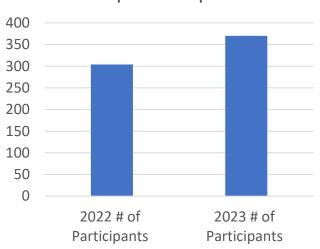
Summer Camps

- 370 Campers
- 8 weeks of camp
- 238 campers participated in our full day summer camps (1st-5th grade)
- 93 campers participated in our half day Nature Discoverers Camp (ages 4-6)
- 39 campers participated in wee wonders (parent-tot camp)
- 66 more campers participated in camp this year compared to last year!



Camp Program Revenue Analysis

Camp Participants



HKDC Camp Revenue











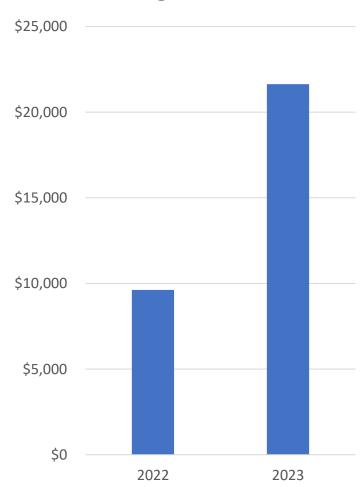
School Programs

- West Aurora Kindergarten Program
- Spring and Fall Programs Numbers
 - Spring- 1,722 students
 - Fall- 634 students
 - Total- 2,356 students





School Program Revenue



Public Programs

- Nature PlaySchool
- No School Nature Days
- Wee Wonders
- Twinleaf Tales
- Art of Nature
- Hikes
- Campfires





Events

- Maple Magic
 (51 participants)
- Flashlight Easter Egg Hunt and Hike (201 participants)
- Caravan to Candyland (188 participants)
- Woodland Santa (120 participants registered-Sold Out)
- Flashlight Candy Cane Hike (159 participants registered)



Scout Programs and Birthday Parties

- Girl Scouts and Cub Scouts (2-3 per month)
- Birthday Parties (60 parties)
 - Critter Explorer
 - Fairy Garden and Gnome Homes
 - Dino Dig



Collaborative Programs and Partnerships

- HKDC and Teen Center (Starved Rock Trip)
- HKDC and Riverboat
 Programs
 (Eco Float and Monarchs and Mimosas)
- HKDC and Riverlands Brewery (Turtle Racing)
- HKDC and Chicago Steel Hockey (Turtle Racing)





Hickory Knolls Discovery Center

- Animal Ambassadors
- Visitors
- Hangin' with Hickory Friends
 - Daily Drop-In Visitor Experience at 11 am and 3 pm





Looking Ahead- Exciting Changes and Renovations

- New front desk location
- Renovated small event space/program space
- Acorns to Oaks Preschool

