

Ever Wilder Farm

# Youth Wilderness Course

10092 Big Creek Rd Ellijay, GA

**We strive to make this program accessible to all families and a safe environment for all attendees. Please review all the guidelines and email [everwilderfarm@gmail.com](mailto:everwilderfarm@gmail.com) for any questions.**

**This year long series of monthly classes is an in-depth and hands on approach to primitive living skills.** The 3 hour, monthly classes are designed for young people to be exposed to a full range of wilderness survival skills and leave with the knowledge to be able identify and use wild food plants and other helpful plants in the Appalachian region. Learn shelter building, wild medicine making, foraging for food, fire making, and much more while fostering a deeper connection with the land. Truly learn to live within your environment and build community with your peers.

The program needs at least 8 students to form, we find 8-12 students work best depending on the group. **Recommended for ages 8+.**

Students should be able to work with their group in a positive manner with a good attitude. If students repeatedly cause disruptions to the class they may be asked to distance themselves from the group with their parent/guardian attending to any emotional or behavioral needs until they are ready to rejoin the group's activities. Parents attending are expected to be engaged so they can help their child manage big feelings or problems that may arise.

**Price per student, per class is \$25.** After choosing a monthly meet time, 1st class deposits are due to reserve a space in the class. This is a **non-refundable** deposit. If a minimum of 8 students do not attend the first class, the course may be discontinued after the first meeting. If the group, the land and the instructors all seem to be a good fit the course will continue and the first 6 months tuition is due. Example: You pay \$25 for the initial deposit for one child (this also pays for the 1st class). After the first class the amount due for the remainder of the first half of the year is 5 classes x \$25 = Total due for one child is \$125. After 6 months of a successful course the 2nd half tuition will be due (\$150).

We will be including curriculum packets with information that overviews each class and offers further exploration at home. We understand things happen and there will be sick/missed days. We ask that you let us know as soon as possible if you can't make a class. All class members will get the monthly packet emailed a few days after the scheduled class meets. To ensure a low cost for all of our groups and participants, **all tuition costs are non-refundable and we are unable to accommodate make-up days.** These curriculum packets are designed by Ever Wilder and make it easy to have a fun, safe time interacting with nature through multi-seasonal activities.

A note about weather: All classes are held in a completely outdoor environment. We feel it is important to experience being outdoors in all types of weather. Rain is acceptable and we will do our best to keep everyone comfortable in those conditions by utilizing structures on the property as needed. In the event of hazardous weather the class will be rescheduled at a time that hopefully works for everyone or the class may be skipped and added to the end of the course (extending the course a month). Please dress in weather appropriate clothing. Children should be able to get dirty and move freely as needed for the day's activities. In hot months this can include water play. You may want to keep an extra set of clothes in the car.

Our goal is not to make this course cost prohibitive, but to ensure group commitment so we have the ability to teach, play games, and work in groups as expected. Tag-a-long siblings (under the age of 5, please) are okay as long as they are on the waiver and the parent ensures they don't cause distractions during the class. We encourage wholesome snacks and a no trace left behind attitude. No candy or processed foods please.

Parents and children should not enter the forest until designated time with Ever Wilder staff. Please wait in the parking lot until class begins.

We look forward to teaching your children and watching them grow as they expand their knowledge of the outdoors.

Please fill out the form below, sign the waiver and email forms to [everwilderfarm@gmail.com](mailto:everwilderfarm@gmail.com). At that time we will provide a link to pay 1st class deposits.

**Participating Minor:**

Names(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Age(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Allergies, chronic illness or medical conditions? If so please describe: (For example: If your child is allergic to bee stings, let us know and then explain the way you plan to handle that situation should it arise).

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**Non Participating Minor in attendance (Siblings):**

Names(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Age(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Allergies, chronic illness or medical conditions?

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\*Non participating minors should be in their parent/guardian's presence and under supervision at all times.

**Parent/Guardian:**

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

(Email is our preferred method of contact, please make sure you use a email address where you will see the emails)

**Emergency Contact Information:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Please sign here confirming you've read the entire registration and have provided accurate information:

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WAIVER: (sign for anyone attending) <https://waiver.smartwaiver.com/v/everwilder/>



**Thank you!**