

FIELD STUDY INFORMATION



Sheldon Lake Environmental Learning Center



WHAT: Sheldon Lake Environmental Learning Center is an outdoor education facility at Sheldon Lake State Park. The Learning Center is located in east Houston at 15315 Beaumont Highway (Business 90), two miles east of Beltway 8 at Park Road 138.

WHO: Public and private schools, scout groups, church groups, senior citizens, other organized groups as well as the general public are encouraged to visit the Learning Center for a visit, program or guided or self-guided tour of this unique facility.

WHEN: The Learning Center is open from 8:00 a.m-5:00 p.m. Tuesday-Sunday.

HOW: Call **(281)-456-2800** or fax (281)-456-8456 to set up a field trip
Or e-mail tom.olson@tpwd.state.tx.us Web site: www.tpwd.state.tx.us/spdest/findadest/parks/sheldon_lake

HOW MANY : In order to provide a quality experience for your children, tours and activities are **limited to a maximum of 50 students** at a time *without special arrangements*. Teachers/chaperones must accompany the students in at least a 1:10 ratio.

WHAT'S AVAILABLE: Program options are listed below. Detailed activity guides linked to the TEKS are available for each activity. **Individual activities are usually 60-90 minutes in length with two-three different activities possible in one visit.**

ACTIVITY OPTIONS

- ❖ Wildlife Discovery program & ¼-½ mile nature walk
 - a). Habitat Hike
 - b). Animal Adaptations
- ❖ Aquatic Studies/Pond Ecology
 - a). Pond Food Web
 - b.) Aquatic Adaptations
 - c). Indicator Species
 - d). Water Quality
- ❖ Fishing clinic/catch & release fishing (Poles/bait provided)
- ❖ Native Plant Gardening
- ❖ Alternative Energy/Green Building
- ❖ Recycling
- ❖ Composting

A picnic area is available when booking a program or tour. Classroom, restrooms, outdoor classroom, water fountain, sodas and gift shop are available on site. (281-456-2800).

HOW MUCH: There is a **\$1 per child per activity fee** for most guided programs at the Center. Cost may vary depending on the amount of time and activities scheduled.

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