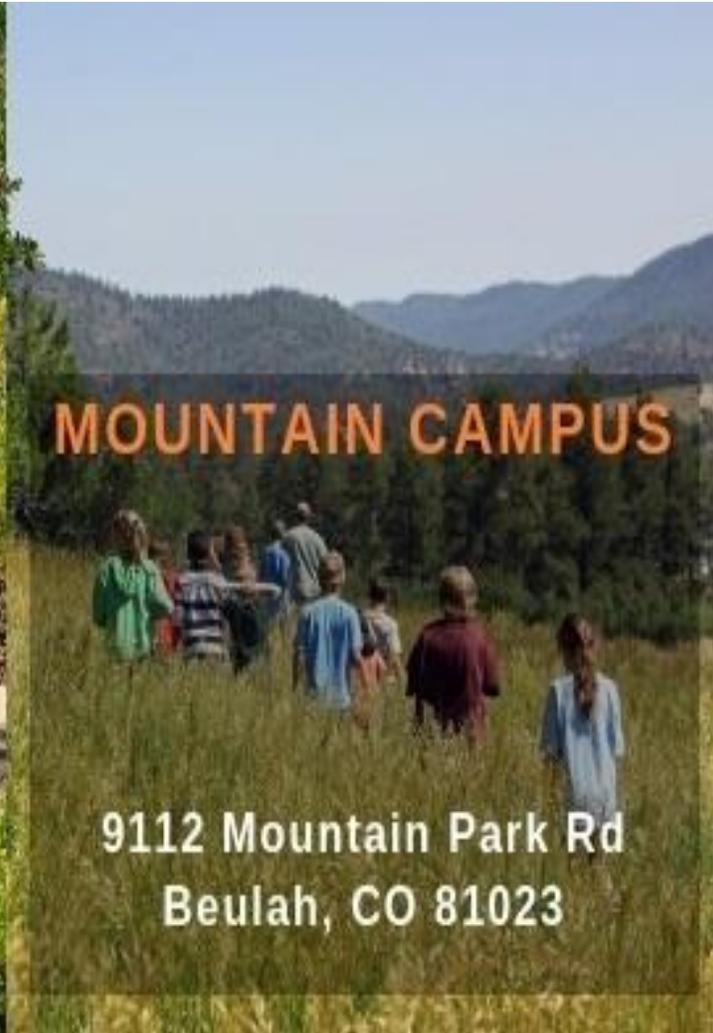
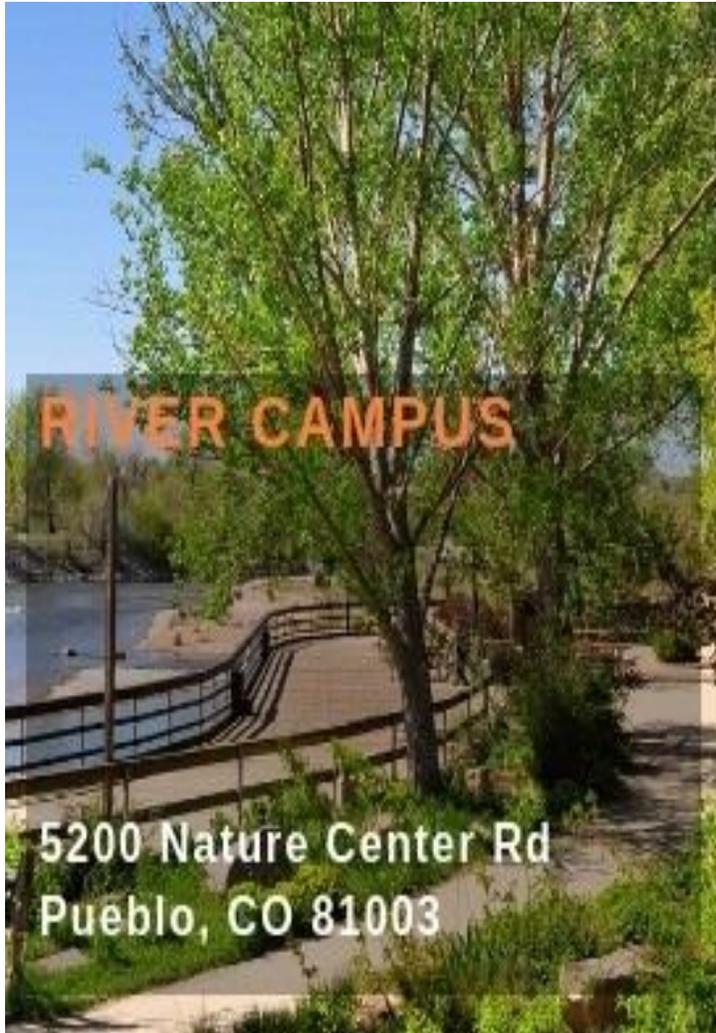


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The Nature and Wildlife Discovery Center promotes environmental stewardship and population health through nature education, wildlife rehabilitation, and outdoor recreation.

Long Range Plan

- **Provide quality environmental education curriculum and outdoor programs that support our mission.**
- **Provide mission focused outdoor opportunities for retreats, family reunions and outdoor recreation activities to accommodate businesses, families and local organizations.**
- **Provide raptor rehabilitation and raptor education programs.**
- **Promote Nature and Wildlife Discovery Center programs and services to our community and the wider public.**
- **Sustain the financial stability and future growth of all three campuses of the Nature and Wildlife Discovery Center.**
- **Ensure sound fiscal and resource management that will sustain and nourish the Nature and Wildlife Discovery Center.**

RAPTOR FACILITIES
Live Eagles, Hawks & Owls

HOURS
11 am - 4 pm
Tuesday - Sunday

4828 Nature Center Road



GARDEN
IN LOVING MEMORY
OF
JOHN AND ROSA
MERRITT





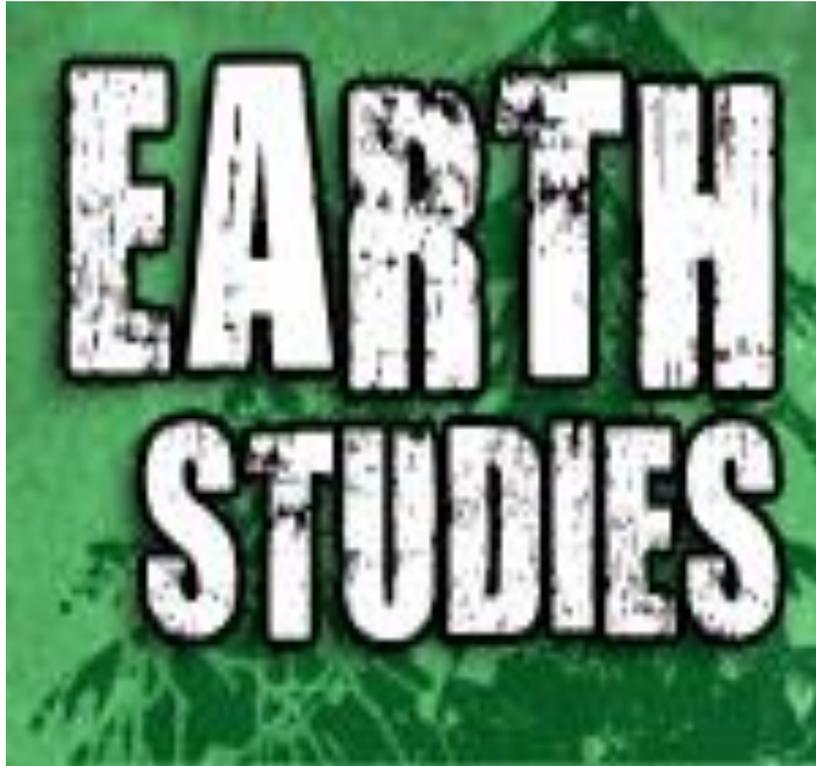
Horseshoe Lodge—Mountain Campus





Nature Center—Riverfront Building





- **Earth Studies**, now in its 20th year, is a comprehensive, outdoor-based Nature education program that explores the ponderosa pine forest of our 611-acre Pueblo Mountain Park Campus as well as the banks of the Arkansas at our River Campus . Started in 2002 to serve the 5th grade students of Pueblo School District 60, the program currently consists of several full days of experiential education spread over the school year. Lessons are built around natural science themes and cover state and district educational standards in all the major academic fields (science, geography, reading, writing, mathematics, history, health, physical education).

ENROLLMENT FOR 2022-23
IS NOW OPEN



EARTHKEEPER
Nature School
Preschool • Kindergarten

Join us for
Nature Exploration, Adventure & Fun



"Teaching children about the natural world should be seen as one of the most important events in their lives" - Thomas Berry



*Serving Preschool & Kindergarten
children ages 4-7 in Pueblo County*

At Earthkeeper School we use Nature and the outdoors as the focus of our program, integrating Nature awareness, science, music, arts, mathematics, language arts, reading and skill work into a vibrant curriculum. Through experience-based, child interest led learning, we seek to help children gain confidence in themselves and a love for the natural world around them, supporting the strong excitement and zest for learning that is natural in the young child.

CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE
HIKEANDLEARN.ORG/EDUCATION/NATURESCHOOL/

For more information email Director
Tami Montoya at
tami@hikeandlearn.org



We have loved how our child has been able to spend her early education outside...We have noticed her resilience, independence, and self confidence really grow. We are so glad she has been able to have this experience.

- Elizabeth Heersink, Earthkeeper Parent



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GROW WILD FOREST CLUB KINDERGARDEN-5TH GRADE

**A FRIDAY NATURE PROGRAM
SPRING SESSION 2022**

**-HANDS-ON LEARNING - NATURE PLAY & EXPLORATION
- MAKE NEW FRIENDS!**

K-2ND:

**APRIL 1, 15 & 29
MAY 13 & 27**

3RD - 5TH:

**APRIL 8 & 22
MAY 6 & 20
JUNE 3**

TIME TO UNPLUG FROM TECHNOLOGY!

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**WE OFFER
OVERNIGHT &
DAY CAMPS!**

SUMMER CAMPS

JUNE-AUGUST 2022

1ST GRADE-10TH GRADE

**ENROLLING
MARCH 1, 2022**

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Adventure, Explore, Discover!

Outdoor Explorations Program



- OEP is a tuition-free program supplementing a homeschool curriculum with social development, conceptual understandings of ecology, and practical applications of outdoor skills in our unique settings. We have age-appropriate options for children ages 5-14 or in grades K-8. *The Outdoor Explorations Program (OEP) is a partnership between the Nature and Wildlife Discovery Center and Alpine International Preparatory Academy.*

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NWDC's New Executive Director—Taylor Driver



- The Nature and Wildlife Discovery Center's (NWDC) Board of Directors is pleased to announce that Taylor Driver has been hired as NWDC's Executive Director.
- Taylor will be joining NWDC on Monday, April 4th, and brings over 9 years of non-profit experience in stewardship, environmental education, and volunteerism. She joins NWDC after almost 5 years with Volunteers for Outdoor Colorado's (VOC), though some might recognize her as a former Program Director of the Mountain Park Environmental Center.
- Throughout her career, Taylor has honed her skills in developing innovative partnerships and strategic program development to support organization growth and relevancy. She is looking forward to bringing her passion for community engagement to bolster new partnerships, key stakeholders, and volunteer supporters to further increase the stability and reach of NWDC.
- Please contact Lisa Wachtel, Interim Executive Director, at lisa@hikeandlearn.org or Mike Spahr, Board Chairperson, @mike@hikeandlearn.org with any questions about the leadership transition.

Make-a-Wish(es) for NWDC

Upgrade Raptor Center
office/workshop/rehab center



Add Natural Playground at Nature
Center

