

INSIDE RED OAK

ANIMALS AND EXHIBITS

Stop in during public hours to view our Wildlife Room and interactive exhibits! Observe the creatures that call Red Oak home, and use all of your senses on a sensory journey through the seasons.

PROGRAMS & EVENTS

View this season's programs in Fox Valley Park District's current activity guide! For more information, visit wherefunbegins.org.

- Youth and adult programs & events
- Summer camps
- Scout programs
- Outdoor education programs
- Snowshoe rentals
- Birthday party packages
- Volunteer opportunities

NATURE PLAY PRESCHOOL

Guided by the philosophy of learning through play, our curriculum is based on traditional kindergarten readiness skills with an emphasis on environmental education. Children learn to embrace natural surroundings and investigate the world around them. Through STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art and math) focus areas, we build learners for life!

RENTAL FACILITIES

- Red Oak Nature Center
- Acorn & Maple classrooms
- Picnic Grove & Shelter

For more information, contact us at 630-897-1808 or ROprograms@fvpd.net



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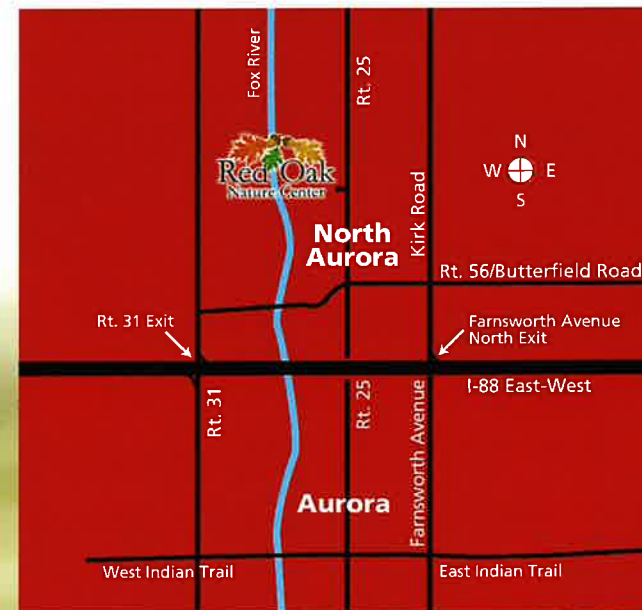
ON ROUTE 25, one mile north of Route 56

For groups of 10 or more, there is a required \$2 fee per person. All groups must register before coming to Red Oak.

HOURS

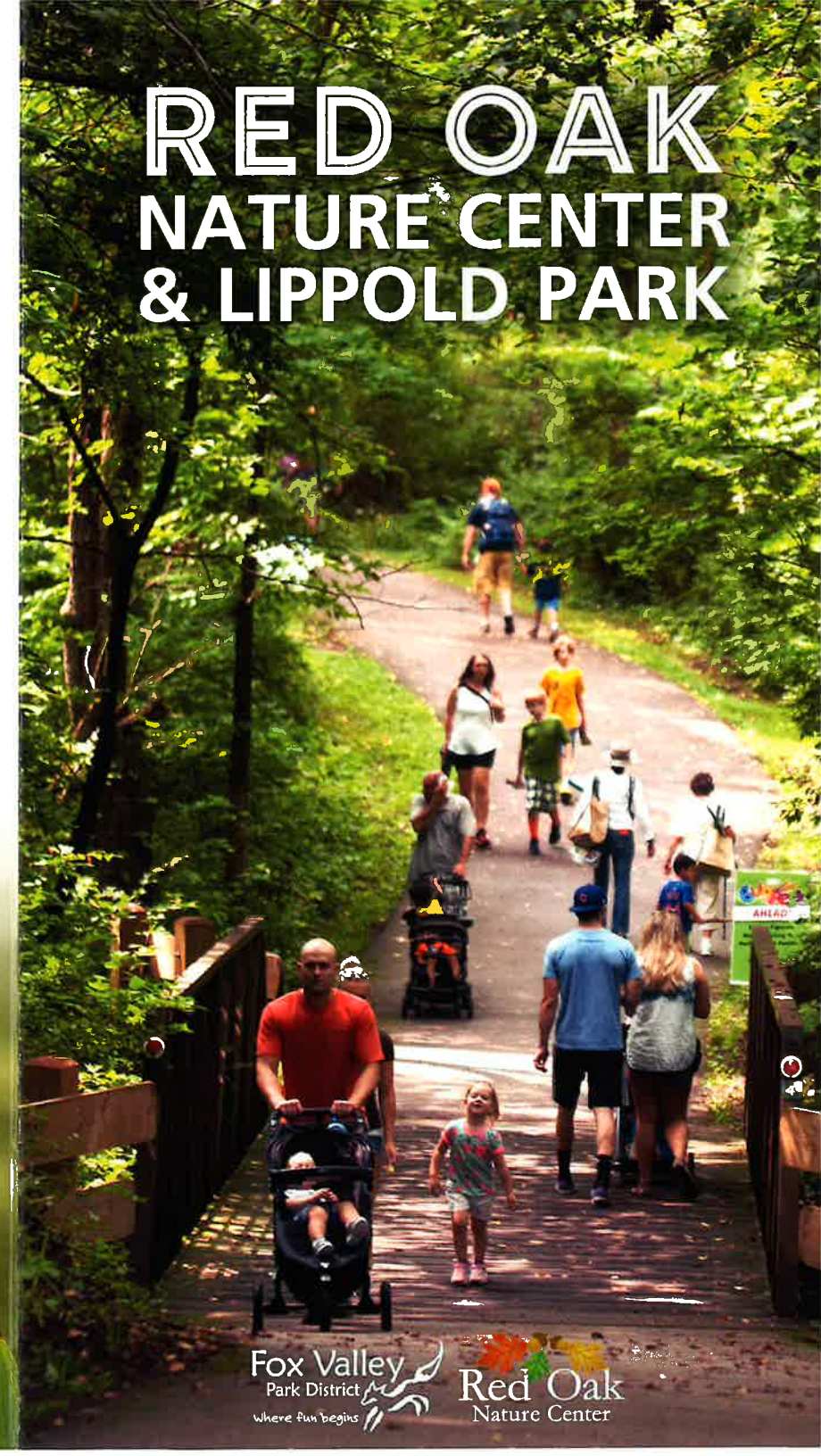
For information on facility hours, visit redoaknaturecenter.info
Facility closed on most major holidays.

Trails open sunrise to one hour past sunset.



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RED OAK NATURE CENTER & LIPPOLD PARK



Red Oak Nature Center

Red Oak features wood-chipped hiking trails that run throughout the woods bordering the Fox River, as well as the paved Fox River Trail which leads north to Lippold Park and south to North Aurora.

Big Turtle Trail

- Length: 0.25 mile
- Encircles nature center
- Features scenic views of the Fox River and hickory forest
- Named for the abundance of snapping turtles along the river

Blue Sky Prairie Trail*

- Length: 0.125 miles
- Encircles restored prairie area
- Connects to Fox River Trail
- Features native prairie plants which attract birds, butterflies and other pollinators

Bubo Trail

- Length: 0.33 miles
- Winds through dense forest and Fox River shoreline
- Connects to Fox River Trail
- Named after the genus for horned owls

Crow's Path*

- Length: 0.20 miles
- Travels through woods, over a natural spring and along a creek

Dolomite Trail

- Length: 0.25 miles
- Named after limestone rock found on river bank
- Feature interpretive signs
- Leads to Red Oak Nature Center

*Not shown on map:
Blue Sky Prairie Trail and Crow's Path Trail are accessed to the south of Lippold Park from the Fox River Trail.

Picnic Grove

- Stone seats and picnic tables nestled in the woods
- Adjacent fire pit and seating available for rent

Red Oak Cave

- 0.25 miles south of nature center
- Made of Niagara Dolomite
- The only cave in the Fox Valley area

LIPPOLD PARK

This outdoor recreation area immerses visitors in a natural environment with an elevated boardwalk over the pond, an amphitheater, a nature-based playground, scenic views of the Fox River and a paved trail around the grassland.

Large school groups reserve Lippold Park seasonally, which may cause some areas to be temporarily inaccessible.

Wetlands Boardwalk
Fox River Trail
Pavilion & Firepit
Playground & Skywalk
Coyote Grasslands Area
Parking

Route 25

LEGEND
 - - - - - Nature Trail
 ——— Fox River Trail
 [Bench Icon] Bench

Observation Deck
 Fox River
 Red Oak Nature Center
 Picnic Grove
 Pavilion
 Parking
 Route 25

Big Turtle Trail (1/4 mile)
 Dolomite Trail (1/4 mile)
 Bubo Trail (1/3 mile)
 Fox River Trail
 Art Nook
 Log Roll
 Oak Nook
 Cave (1/4 mile from Nature Center)
 Private Residence
 Boardwalk
 Stairs

 Dogs and bikes are not allowed on wood-chipped trails. Thank you for helping us protect our resident wildlife and their environment!