



Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden

Children's Garden

Discovery Programs Summer 2010

Embark on a learning adventure in the Children's Garden with one of our group education programs for children ages 6 - 12. These investigative, hands-on programs bring plant science to life and provide children an opportunity to explore natural environments and make meaningful connections with the natural world. Class size is limited to 25 students. Programs are available at 9:00, 10:15 and 11:30 Monday-Friday.

Tree Traits

Through the careful study of the characteristic shape, color and texture of leaves, bark and seed pods, students learn basic skills for identifying trees. Exploration of these unique differences gives students an understanding of the classification system used by scientists for categorizing living organisms.

Young Gardeners

There are many tasks required to start a garden and keep it growing and healthy. Beginning with the right soil and seeds and ending with compost, students participate in the cycle necessary to start, grow and maintain a garden.

Seasons of the Powhatans

Students investigate the calendar of the Powhatan Indians and learn how they adapted their diet to seasonal changes. Each group gathers food from the trail, uses natural fibers to make rope, or plays a traditional game.

From Seed to Store

Plants give us food and useful products. Our interdependence with them is emphasized as students use plants to color fabric, make tea, prepare fibers for rope making, or collect herbs for drying, among others.