

## NEWS RELEASE

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### Fall Homeschool Programs Begin Sept. 20 at Adkins Arboretum

Homeschool students of all ages can get down and dirty with science this fall at Adkins Arboretum!

In [The Science of the Wetland](#), a 10-week program for students in grades 2 to 5, homeschoolers will grab their buckets and delve into the wonders of this unique ecosystem. Students will develop scientific skills as they build model wetlands, examine



wetland plant and animal adaptations, test water quality, observe microscopic wetland life and more. Opportunities to use scientific equipment are part of the learning process.

In [Botany for Homeschoolers](#), for grades 6 and above, students will explore the native plants of the Arboretum's meadow, forest and wetland habitats through the lens of botany. Areas of study will include plant evolution and classification, cell structure, photosynthesis, reproduction, leaf morphology, plant collection and genetics. Hands-on investigation and the use of scientific equipment are part of the program.

Programs meet concurrently from 1 to 2:30 p.m. on Tuesdays from Sept. 20 to Nov. 22. Arboretum Youth Program Director Jenny Houghton and biologist/science educator Leslie Adelman will teach the programs. Advance registration is required. Visit [adkinsarboretum.org](http://adkinsarboretum.org) for more information or to register your student, or call 410-634-2847, ext. 0.

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*Adkins Arboretum is a 400-acre native garden and preserve at the headwaters of the Tuckahoe Creek in Caroline County. Open year round, the Arboretum offers educational programs for all ages about nature and gardening. For more information about programs, visit [adkinsarboretum.org](http://adkinsarboretum.org) or call 410-634-2847, ext. 0.*

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