



Refuge Junior Naturalist

Texas Mid-coast National Wildlife Refuge Complex

Application Form



www.juniornaturalist.net

Instructions

Fill in the youth and parent information requested below and the name and contact information of one reference, a teacher or youth leader. Read carefully the section on expectations of the program and sign.
!! Attach to the application a paragraph written by the youth on why they want to participate in the program.

Youth Information

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____
Age _____ Grade (just completing) _____

Parent or guardian Information

Parent Name: _____
Phone Number: _____ Cell Phone Number _____
E-mail Address: _____

Reference: Include the name and contact information for a teacher who can tell us more about the child applying for the Refuge Junior Naturalist Program.

Reference Name and Contact Information

Name: _____
School: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____
E-mail: _____
How does this person know the youth: _____

Expectations

The Refuge Junior Naturalist program is a special opportunity for motivated children grades 5-6 to learn basic field science skills and work with wildlife biologists and other refuge professionals on projects at Brazoria and San Bernard National Wildlife Refuges. Children become Certified Refuge Junior Naturalists after completing eight sessions of which two are required. Sessions are more frequent over the summer; usually two activities a month on a weekday. During the school year there will be one session a month on Saturdays. Children may participate in as many sessions as they want and continue to be involved in the program and the opportunities as certified Refuge Junior Naturalists.

Parents are responsible for transportation of participating children to sessions, but special arrangements can be made. Parents are also invited to be involved in their children's participation and progress in the program. A number of events will be scheduled that parents and families can participate in with their participating child.

The Refuge Junior Naturalist program at Texas Mid-Coast National Wildlife Refuge Complex funded by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to increase interest in science and science professions. The limited number of children who are accepted into the program are expected to be highly motivated and involved.

I understand the expectations of the program:

Signed: _____ Date: _____
Parent or guardian.

Space for Parent Comments:

Youth written paragraph attached on why they want to participated in the program.

Mail application to:	Applications may also be faxed to:
Tom Schneider Texas Mid-coast National Wildlife Refuge Complex 2547 CR 316 Brazoria, Texas 77422	Texas Mid-Coast National Wildlife Refuge Complex 979-964-4021
E-mail: Applications can also be e-mailed to: tom_schneider@fws.gov	
For e-mailed applications using fill-in form type in signature on signature line and e-mail completed PDF. Youth statement can be attached to your e-mail as a word document or PDF.	