

BUTLER COUNTY
Pennsylvania Master Naturalist Training Schedule — Fall 2026
Subject to Change

Class/Field Trip #	Date	Proposed Topic	Location	Time
1	8/4	PA Master Naturalist Introduction; Ecoregions of PA; What is a Naturalist	Succop Nature Park	6-8:30 p.m.
2	8/11	PA Geology, Soils, Weather & Climate	SNP	6-8:30 p.m.
FT 1	8/15	Introduction to Field Geology	TBD	9 a.m. - 2 p.m.
3	8/18	Introduction to Ecological Concepts: Communities and Biological Diversity, Biological Classification and Naming	SNP	6-8:30 p.m.
4	8/25	Water in the Landscape — Watersheds and Wetland Communities	Buffalo Creek Nature Park	6-8:30 p.m.
5	9/1	Introduction to Plant Communities. Introduction to Keystone Projects	SNP	6-8:30 p.m.
6	9/8	Introduction to Ornithology and Herpetology	SNP	6-8:30 p.m.
FT 2	9/12	Aquatic and Plant Communities	TBD	9 a.m. - 2 p.m.
7	9/15	Introduction to Mammalogy and Entomology	BCNP	6-8:30 p.m.
8	9/22	Suburban/ Urban Ecology; Ecological Restoration and Stewardship	SNP	6-8:30 p.m.
FT 3	9/26	Field Ornithology, Mammalogy, Entomology and Herpetology	TBD	8 a.m. – 2 p.m.
9	9/29	Interpretation and Field Instruction	SNP	6-8:30 p.m.
10	10/6	Community Science and Volunteer Opportunities	SNP	6-8:30 p.m.
FT 4	10/10	Restoration & Conservation Projects	TBD	9 a.m. – 2 p.m.
11	10/13	Student Presentations	SNP	6-8:30 p.m.
12	10/20	Being a PA Master Naturalist	SNP	6-8:30 p.m.

Hosted by Audubon Society of Western PA at Succop Nature Park (185 W. Airport Road, Butler, PA),
Buffalo Creek Nature Park (154 Monroe Road, Sarver, PA) and other locations to be determined.