## MMER CLUB YOUTH CONSERVATION PROGRAM



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## 2024 Winter Program

The Zimmer Club Youth Program uses the great outdoors as a classroom to teach youngsters about outdoor activities, conservation, and embracing nature. Our program blends learning with recreation in the belief that this approach heightens everyone's awareness of the environment and beauty of the outdoors.

## ALL SATURDAY CLASSES ARE FREE – AGE RESTRICTIONS APPLY

(Classes are for ages 5 to 17 as indicated. For classes that are for children under 8, a parent or guardian must be present) PRE-REGISTER ON-LINE - CLASSES START AT 9:00AM THE ZIMMER CLUB

Week	Class Date	Ages	SUBJECT	INSTRUCTOR
1	Jan 20 <sup>th</sup>	5-17	<b>Registration/Orientation and Pancake Breakfast</b> NYFD Home Safety Unit and Internet Safety and Cyberbullying	ZCYSI - Anthony Gulemmo, Mark Yuknek, NYFD Safety Unit, and NYS Assemblyman Michael Reilly
2	Jan. 27 <sup>th</sup>	8-17	<i>Education -</i> Electricity – how it is made and how to use it – with a hands-on exercise	ZCYSI – Carmine Muscarella Licensed Electrician
3	Feb 3 <sup>rd</sup>	8-17	<i>Education – Robotics -</i> A High School team discusses building and competing with demonstrations and interactive experience	St Joseph by the Sea HS Robotics Team
4	Feb 10 <sup>th</sup>	8-17	<b>Outdoor Sports – All About Archery</b> – Learn the parts of a bow & arrow, range procedures, and marksmanship plus intro to archery competition	James Collins and ZCYSI Volunteer Instructors
5	Feb 17 <sup>th</sup>	5-17	<b>Community Awareness</b> - Meet our SI Elected Officials and SI Law Enforcement Officers from different Departments. They will demonstrate their animals and special enforcement equipment.	City, State and Federal Law Enforcement Agencies plus our Elected Officials
6	Feb 24 <sup>th</sup>	8-17	Education - Introduction to Scuba Diving & Marine Life - learn about scuba diving, snorkeling and underwater exploration	Staten Island Sports Divers - Joe Schiavone, John Ares
7	Mar 2 <sup>nd</sup>	5-17	<i>Education - Birds of Prey -</i> Falconry - Red Tail Hawk, Goshawk, Harris & Nature Photography using a cell phone	Falconers - Paul Scara and Team
8	Mar 9 <sup>th</sup>	8-17	<b>Conservation &amp; Environment</b> – On-site learning at NY State Park - Blue Belt, Green Belt, Habitat Awareness and a Trail Walk	NYS Park Education Team and ZCYSI Instructors
9	Mar 16 <sup>th</sup>	5-17	<b>Outdoor Sports -</b> Eddie Eagle Safety Program & Laser Target (Ages 5-9) <b>Marksmanship</b> (Ages 10-17) with Firearm Range & Handling Safety Introduction at Colonial Rifle Range	ZCYSI - John Donohue, Anthony Gulemmo, Vin Montagna, Colonial Rifle Range Instructors
10	Mar 23 <sup>rd</sup>	8-17	Survival Skills - Emergency First Aid - What to do, before help arrives? With special presentation SI Drug Awareness Unit – Richmond County DA's Office	Joe Chiusano and Freehold EMT Trainers – Staten Island DA Mike McMahon's Office
11	Mar 30 <sup>th</sup>	5-17	<i>Education</i> – Staten Island Zoo Visit & Nature Photography <i>Awards Ceremony</i> - Student Luncheon & Awards <i>Ceremony</i>	SI Zoo Mobile Unit, John Ares & the ZCYSI Instructors

Note: Classes have age and/or attendance requirement for participation. Snacks may be distributed on a class by class basis. At the conclusion of each class session, a knowledge assessment test will be administered. At the end of the program, prizes and awards will be given out based on overall points: (a) Test Scores (b) Class attendance (c) Class participation and (d) Marksmanship. Point accumulation exceptions: If student attended a certification class having an age requirement, their points score will reflect their prior attendance. Dates & Times for Hunter Safety Class (HSC) and Boating Safety Course will be announced and posted on the website.

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