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I am going to a nature program at Crowder County Park. During the program, I will learn about different animals or plants in the park.

When we first arrive at Crowder we will park in the parking lot, and we will see a wooden building on our left, which is the park's main office. We will double check our program description to find our meeting location. We will park near the shelter or structure the program is set to begin.



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We will begin our program at one of the designated shelters, where we will meet the park educator who will be in charge of our group. They will be our teacher for the day. They will tell us about the park and the different things we will do.

When we are at the park, there are some special rules we have to follow. Some important rules are:

- We will stay with the teacher and the other people in our group during our program
- We will walk slowly around the park
- We will use inside talking voices
- We will raise our hand and wait to be called on if we'd like to speak





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Then, once all of our friends have finished checking in, we will start our nature program. Our teacher will talk to us about fun nature topics, and show us some neat things to look at.

We might get to listen to a story, play a game, make a craft, or do some fun hands on science experiments. We will wait for instruction from our teacher to find out which activity we will do today.



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If it is too noisy, I can ask for head phones to muffle the noise. I can also ask for toys if I need something to do with my hands. I can ask to borrow these from park staff.



If I need a break or to use the restroom, I will tell the adult I am with.





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We might finish our visit with a short hike around the park. On our hike we will need to make sure to follow these rules:

- Do not walk ahead of the teacher.
- Do not walk off of the path, and make sure to stay with your group.
- Do not pick up or touch anything from the woods unless the teacher tells us to.

During the warmer months, we can also visit the turtles, which can be seen off of the park's main boardwalk.



After we finish the tour, it will be up to the parents and teachers to decide what we do next. We might go back to our car and leave, or we might stay and have a picnic lunch.

We can't wait to come back to Crowder County Park soon!

My Crowder Park

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