



THE ADVENTURES OF MAPLE SUGARING



Grades K-6 February 17-March 26, 2026 1 1/4 hour program

Maple Sugaring school program is designed to allow students a first hand experience in the delicious tradition of maple sugaring. Students will learn basic concepts of maple sugaring, investigate tree characteristics, winter tree ID, how sap flows, taste sap from a maple tree, and see the maple syrup-making process itself at our historic sugar shack. Several outdoor stations and a couple indoor stations allows students a chance to warm up on cold days. Please dress for the weather! This is a tree-ific science-based discovery program for all ages!

Supports STEM Standards: K.LS1.C K.ESS3.A K.ETS1.A 2.LS2.1 2.LS2.2 5.LS1.C 5.LS2.A
Program aligns to Michigan Common Core Standards, Next Generation Science Standards

Preschool-age groups (ages 3 to young 5's) February 17-March 26, 2026 1 1/4 hour program

Where does maple syrup come from? We'll start with a story, walk through the sugar bush, collect sap from trees, take part in hands-on demonstrations, visit the sugar shack for a sweet treat all makes for a fun and educational trip! Program stations are in/out-doors.

Lots of hands-on activities. Please dress for the weather! This is a great program for all ages— students, teachers, and chaperones.



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February 17 to March 26, 2026

To Register: Call 517-782-3453 ext. 106, Monday through Friday 9 am-4:30 pm

When: Maple Sugaring programs are offered during regular school hours from February 17 to March 26, 2026.

Fees: \$8 per student and chaperone, with a \$60 minimum charge. Fees are payable on the day of the field trip. Please make checks payable to the *Dahlem Conservancy*, or pay with cash or credit card. We can also invoice the school, if needed. Cancellations made less than 48 hours in advance of the scheduled program are subject to a \$60 charge. Maximum 60 students per time slot. Teachers are admitted free.

Funding is Available: **Michigan Nature Association (MNA)**; apply for program & bus grants at www.michigannature.org/menus/education. New funds available this school year 2025-26! **Meemic Foundation** offers grants up to \$500 for a variety of school and classroom projects. Applying for grant opportunities is fast and easy at www.meemic.com. **Wheels to Woods transportation grants** are available at www.treefarmssystem.org/wheels-to-woods. **Dahlem (programs/transportation) DahlemCenter.org/school-programs/** And ask your PTO and community supporters.

Before You Call: Check your school calendar and be prepared to provide the following information:

- Program title
- Desired date and time (am or pm), plus alternatives
- Grade level and number of students, staff, chaperones
- School name, address and phone number
- Names and email addresses for all participating teachers



Thank you for selecting Dahlem as your outdoor science-based educational experience. We look forward to a valuable partnership with you.

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