

UI WILDLIFE CAMPS: Kestrel Corps

APPLICATION

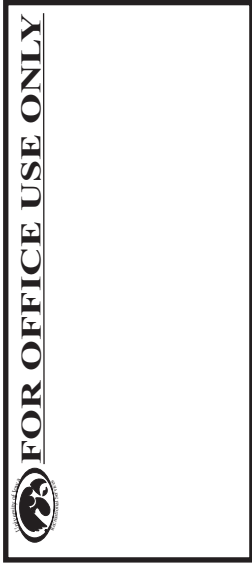
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ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ (street) \_\_\_\_\_ (city) \_\_\_\_\_ (state) \_\_\_\_\_ (zip)

PARENT/GUARDIAN: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ (Home) \_\_\_\_\_ (Work)

SCHOOL: \_\_\_\_\_ TEACHER REFERENCE: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

COMMENTS: \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_



===== Please circle session desired =====

Session						
Hawk	1	2	3	4	5	6
Falcon	1	2	3	4	5	6
Eagle	1	2	3	4	5	6
Otter	1	2	3	4	5	6

Alternate weeks acceptable to me: \_\_\_\_\_

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University of Iowa  
E216 Field House  
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Recreational Services

— 2009 —



## Kestrel Corps

### Grades 9, 10 & 11

June 15 - 19  
June 22 - 26  
July 6 - 10  
July 13 - 17  
July 20 - 24  
July 27 - 31

Week 1  
Week 2  
Week 3  
Week 4  
Week 5  
Week 6

## OUR MISSION

Welcome to our 24th year of University of Iowa Wildlife Camps at Macbride Nature Recreation Area. We started in the summer of 1985 with the goal of introducing area youth to the beauty and diversity of our natural world through hands-on activities. We emphasize "hands-on" because each of the staff realizes that it was through first-hand experiences that our excitement and care for wildlife and natural ecosystems was kindled. The mission of the camps has changed little. Our ultimate goal as educators is to guide each camper closer to a sound environmental ethic, an informed and conscientious concern for things wild. No matter where the camper is on that path, we hope to guide them towards that goal. We accomplish this through uniquely designed lessons and activities that utilize the natural areas available to us at the Macbride Nature Recreation Area and other local areas of ecological significance. All the camps blend environmental education with outdoor recreation. We take our mission seriously, and have a lot of fun doing it!



## GENERAL INFORMATION

Kestrel Corps, a high school volunteer program with The University of Iowa Wildlife Camps at the Macbride Nature Recreation Area, is sponsored by the Division of Recreational Services. The Kestrel Corps will assist the staffs of the Hawk, Eagle, Falcon and Otter Camps with programming for children entering 3rd-6th grades. The Kestrel Corps will travel to MNRA on the busses with the camp with which they will be working. The busses leave the Hawkeye Recreation Fields Complex each morning at 8:30 a.m. and return at 4:00 p.m. The Kestrel Corps volunteers will need to bring a sack lunch and a water bottle. See camp descriptions below for information about camp activities. (Note: If you are also interested in helping with Fledgling Camp, please indicate in comments section of the application).



## THE LOCATION

The majority of time will be spent at the scenic Macbride Nature Recreation Area. This is a 485-acre peninsula of land bordered by Lake Macbride and the Coralville Reservoir. Some field trips will also be taken to local natural areas.

## THE CAMPS

**Hawk Camp** (woodlands) - natural history of hawks, lodge building, wilderness survival, tree identification, canoeing, songbirds of the woodlands, woodland ecology, orienteering, archery, nature crafts, bird banding, swimming and other activities.

**Falcon Camp** (prairies) - natural history of Peregrine Falcons, prairie plant identification, prairie restoration, fishing, gardening (fresh garden foods & recipes prepared weekly), disc golf, songbirds of the grasslands, canoeing, swimming and other activities.

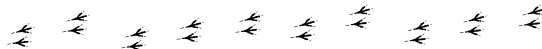
**Eagle Camp** (wetlands) - natural history of Bald Eagles and Ospreys, pond study, lake study, spillway exploration, fossils, frogs & toads, fishing, canoeing, swimming and other activities.

**Otter Camp** (endangered species) - natural history of river otters, Iowa's endangered species, canoeing, swimming, fishing, archery, disc golf, outdoor cooking, outdoor games, nature art and other activities.



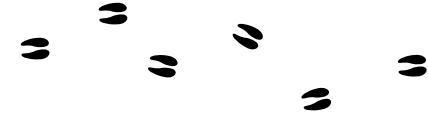
## CAMP DATES

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Week 6	July 27 - 31



## APPLICATION

Applications will be taken until June 1, 2009. Please indicate if you would accept alternate dates as indicated on the application. All applications must include a letter stating reasons for pursuing this position and what experiences the applicant has that would prepare him/her for a Kestrel Corps position. A teacher reference, with a phone number, is also required. Four Kestrel Corps positions will be available each week. Accepted Kestrel Corps applicants can participate from one to all six weeks of camp: indicate camps and weeks desired on application form. A health form will be mailed to each accepted applicant to be completed prior to the experience.



**PLEASE REGISTER BY MAIL ONLY**  
- SEND TO -  
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## UI WILDLIFE CAMPS STAFF

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