

# Visitor Guidelines

School classes, club groups, and families may explore and enjoy the Brandwein Nature Learning Preserve with special permission. To visit, download the Preserve Use Regulations and the required application on the Brandwein website at <http://brandwein.org/preserve>. There is no fee for use of the Preserve.



Lesson plans and skill-building exercises, designed to be performed at the Preserve, are also on the Brandwein website at the above url. The activities were authored by Brandwein Fellows, veteran science teachers who use the outdoors as a learning lab for student field investigations.

Teachers and group leaders visit the Preserve with children ranging from kindergartners to high school honors students. They use the pavilion for instruction and hike along the designated trails. Here's what an elementary teacher wrote about her class's visit to the Preserve:

*"Thank you for a wonderful field trip. We learned so much, and the children had so much fun spending the day out in the fresh air and observing things in nature. Each trail offered some wonderful lessons for us to share with our students. We talked about the environment, birds, amphibians, plants and habitats. All these lessons tied perfectly into our new Common Core Anthologies we have been teaching our students this year. "*



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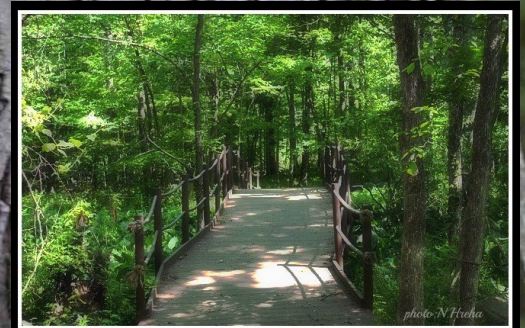
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# Brandwein Nature Learning Preserve

**A Series of  
Interpretive Trails for  
Exploration and  
Investigation in the  
Tri-State Area**





# Programs

The Brandwein Institute created a series of nature trails on a section of the Rutgers Creek Wildlife Conservancy in 2008 to honor the wishes of Paul and Mary Brandwein to engage the local community. That section became the Brandwein Nature Learning Preserve, located about 25 minutes from downtown Milford, PA; 15 minutes from Port Jervis and 25 minutes from Middletown, NY.



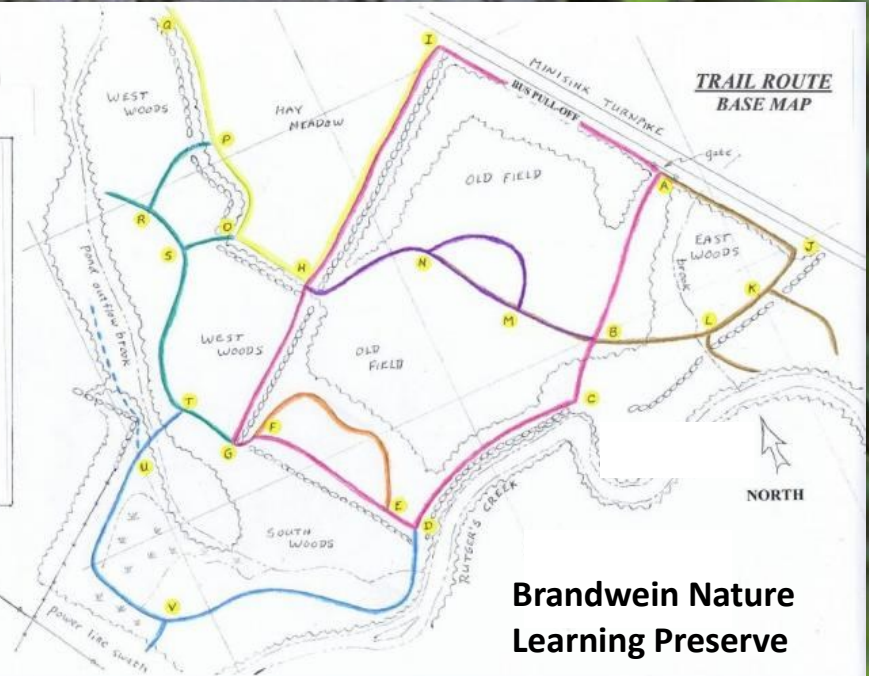
Programs conducted annually at the Preserve include the Brandwein Summer Science Day Camps for students, grades 1-6, and Sundays at the Preserve, featuring naturalist-led activities for families. Since the Preserve opened, local clubs and teachers have brought students there to perform water quality studies and field investigations. To find out more about opportunities at the Brandwein Nature Learning Preserve, go to [www.brandwein.org/programs](http://www.brandwein.org/programs).



# Brandwein Nature Trails

Interpretive hiking trails traverse the 30-acre parcel of the 72-acre Rutgers Creek Wildlife Conservancy.

The trails wind through natural communities including an arrested succession area, early succession forest, meadow and woods ecotone, mowed meadow, northern riverine forest, northern swamp forest, stream, and upland mixed deciduous forest. The Preserve contains a pavilion, information kiosk, boardwalks, benches, and parking area. The ecological diversity to support a wide array of natural flora and fauna.



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