

Trail Etiquette

It's important to talk to students about how to behave on a nature trail. Being outside with a group of other students can bring out the wild side of kids. It's sunny, they are out of the classroom and energy runs high. It's helpful to talk to them up front about what kind of things they should and should not do on a nature trail.

The “should NOT do” list:

- Do not damage plants, animals or insects in any way.
- Do not litter.
- Do not pick plants, even for a collection.
- Do not pick up sticks to carry (they end up poking someone).
- Do not damage trail signs.
- Do not put any plant in your mouth.

The “should do” list:

- Listen to directions.
- Notice all the plant names and try to identify things you see.
- Let the teacher know if you see anything interesting.
- Enjoy being outside!