



**Northwest Trek**  
Wildlife Park

**METRO PARKS TACOMA**

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**UP TO FOUR KIDS ADMITTED FREE WITH EACH PAYING ADULT AT NORTHWEST TREK WILDLIFE PARK DURING KIDS 'N' CRITTERS SPECIAL EVENT OVER THE LONG PRESIDENTS' DAY WEEKEND, FEB. 18-20**

EATONVILLE, Wash. – During Presidents' Day Weekend, Northwest Trek Wildlife Park is offering an unbeatable combination of outdoor experience, animal viewing and budget-friendly fun.



Up to four children ages 12 and under are admitted free with each paying adult during Kids 'n' Critters weekend, Saturday, Feb. 18 through Monday, Feb. 20.

Plus, discounted admission is available for senior citizens, Pierce County residents and members of the military.

A visit to Northwest Trek isn't complete without a romp in Kids' Trek, the new nature-inspired play area designed for kids from toddlers to tweens.

Here, parents can unwind while children construct forts, play in tot-sized log cabins, and scramble up and down ladder nets. Northwest-themed features like native plants, a replica beaver lodge, and statues of river otters and cougars make Kids' Trek a uniquely cozy place to discover and play.

Every visit to Northwest Trek also includes a narrated tram tour through a 435-acre Free-Roaming Area that is home to moose calves, bighorn sheep, mountain goats, bison, deer and other animals.

For this special event, tram seating is limited to the first 1,500 visitors each day. All tram tours during Kids 'n' Critters weekend are a kid-friendly 30 minutes long.

Plus, there are bobcats, foxes, owls, river otters, beavers and many other animals to see on a self-guided walking tour along paved trails. Playful gray wolves can be seen face-to-face from a kid-sized crawlspace in the Baker Research Cabin.

All activities are free with admission to Kids 'n' Critters.

Admission windows at Northwest Trek are open from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. each day of Kids 'n' Critters. Visitors may remain in the wildlife park until 4:30 p.m. For more information, visit [www.nwtrek.org](http://www.nwtrek.org).

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*Northwest Trek, accredited by the Association of Zoos & Aquariums, is a 725-acre zoological park dedicated to*

*conservation, education and recreation by displaying, interpreting and researching native Northwest wildlife and their natural habitats. The wildlife park is a facility of Metro Parks Tacoma and is located 35 miles southeast of Tacoma off State Highway 161.*

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