

Spring 2022 News

Aquatic Science Adventure Camps 2022

Camp Spots

There are only a handful of spots left in our Expedition Overnight and Explorer Day Camps so act quickly. Spots are still available for our new Aquatic Investigator and Discovery Day Camps. Registration can be found at https://www.eardc.txstate.edu/camp/camp_registration.html.

Scholarships

Due to a generous donation from the San Marcos Lions Club, we are offering full scholarships for our Discovery Day camps. To apply, campers will need to fill out the application form and **either** <u>write a one page essay</u> **or** <u>draw a picture</u> detailing why they want to come to camp. We are accepting and allocating scholarships on a rolling basis so apply while funds are still available. See our website

https://www.eardc.txstate.edu/camp/Camp-Scholarships.html or email EARDC education@txstate.edu for more details.

Job Opportunities

We are looking for Camp Counselors and Teachers for the summer! https://www.eardc.txstate.edu/camp/camp-information-resources.html

The above link will have the information for both the Counselor and teacher positions.

Counselor positions are still available and are perfect for those living in or near San Marcos over the summer. Working ASAC is a great opportunity to gain experience and have a lot of fun while doing it.

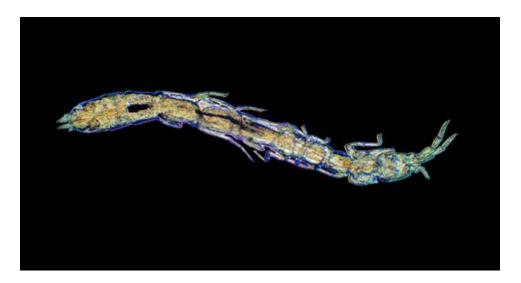
Are you a teacher or know a teacher? We are still looking for teachers to work camp with us. Come help out for a week and receive a \$500 stipend and 20 CPEs.

Current Campers

If you have already registered your child for camp, don't forget to pay your balance remainder. Payment balances are due one month before the start of your camp, but can be paid anytime before then as well.

Detailed schedules are up online so make sure to check out what your camper will be doing during their week of camp!

Spotlight on Research



Researchers at the Edwards Aquifer Research and Data Center have described 3 new, tiny species of aquatic, subterranean isopod. Distant relatives of 'sow bugs' (aka 'pillbugs' or 'rollie-pollies'), the three new species belong to a family of isopods that had not previously been recorded in Texas. The descriptions were published in January in Journal of Natural History, and including one species, *Texicerberus castilloi*, named after the Center's own Victor Castillo III, in acknowledgement of his many years of work on the water and biology of the Edwards Aquifer. With these new species, approximately 117 groundwater-obligate organisms are now known from Texas.

Analytical Lab Hours

The EARDC analytical lab is currently open Monday – Thursday, 8am – 5 pm, closed for lunch 12-1:15pm, bacteriological samples are not accepted on Fridays, only by special request.

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