Journey

A PROGRAM OF MANCHESTER YOUTH SERVICES
JOURNEY---ELEMENTARY---7/10/17

DAY 1---INTRODUCTION- RULES & STUFF
BINOCCULARS---HIKING STICK

DAY 2---FIELD TRIP to VERPLANCK TRAIL
WATER QUALITY TEST- WEAR OLD
SNEAKERS YOU ARE GETTING WET !!!!

DAY 3---EAGLE-/ OSPREY HUNT
BIRDWATCHING on CT. RIVER

DAY 4---SESSIONS WOODS HIKE & FROG
HUNT---SCAVENGER HUNT---TROUT
HATCHERY

DAY 5---WHICHAM PARK---ULTIMATE
NATURE GAME --- LUNCH TREAT
Life list

1. Eagle nest
2. Osprey 5 @ nest
3. Red tail hawk
4. Phoebe
5. Blue jay
6. Rock dove
7. Morning dove
8. Black vulture
9. Turkey vulture
10. Crow
11. Yellow warbler
12. Turkey
13. Great blue haring
14. Cooper hawk
15. Downy woodpecker
16. Flicker
17. Cat bird
18. English sparrow
19. Mocking bird
20. Chimney swift
21. Goldfinch
22. Grackle
23. Starling
24. Barred owl
25. Veery
26. Chickadee
27. Sapsucker
28. Phoebe nest
I saw an eagle nest and an osprey nest on the river. The osprey nest was on a power line tower; there were 3 baby & 2 adults. The baby ospreys were trying to fly out of the nest. When we were looking at the bald eagle nest it was empty. We also saw a black vulture. It was all black with white tips on the wings.
We went to the brook and caught a bunch of weird creatures like dragonfly nymphs?
Sessions Woods is one of the most interesting DEEP sites in the state. It has an abundance of habitats, ranging from wooded areas, to meadows, and even to marshes. The meadows provide a great opportunity to find Bluebirds, and within the marsh there is a beaver lodge as well as an observation tower. Asides from the trails, Sessions Woods also has an education center, which features a variety of stuffed animal bodies and some interactive exhibits. Outside the education center, there is a small pond, which presents a good chance to catch some frogs. The area has such a great mix of habitats and species, and is an amazing trip for anyone fascinated by nature.
I saw a red tail hawk with a blue jay, mockingbirds, and sparrows all mobbing him!