



Buzz Into The Edwardsville Children's Museum For Its Free Pollinator Party On Oct. 15

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EDWARDSVILLE - Pollinators like bees, butterflies, and moths help put fruits and vegetables on our plates and keep Earth's ecosystem running. In fact, one out of every three bites of food we eat comes courtesy of our winged farmers. So, in honor of everything pollinators do for us, Edwardsville Children's Museum (ECM) has planned a day to celebrate them!

On Saturday, Oct. 15, 2022, families are invited for a free day of fun at ECM during its Pollinator "Bee-Cause It Matters" Party sponsored by the City of Edwardsville. The Museum will be open from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. with a variety of pollinator-themed activities available from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Kids of all ages and their caretakers can learn about insects, honey, and pollination in the ECM Discovery Garden as well as enjoy stories read every half hour by special guest, The Very Hungry Caterpillar. Children will also receive a free seed pack to start their own pollinator gardens at home.

"Pollinators are essential to our planet's health, but their populations are dwindling because their feeding and nesting habitats are being erased," said Kristen Fries, executive director of ECM. "By showing kids how they can play a role in protecting them by planting a few native flowers, they'll build a lifelong appreciation of these important insects."

To learn more about the Pollinator Party, visit the ECM website at [www.edwardsville children's museum.org/seasonal-programs](http://www.edwardsvillechildrens museum.org/seasonal-programs) or call the Museum at 618.692.2094.

About Edwardsville Children's Museum

Edwardsville Children's Museum is committed to stimulating curiosity and cultivating learning at the age of wonder. ECM believes that kids of all ages learn through discovery and hands-on play. All exhibits and programs are designed to build happy and curious learners from ages six months to 60 years. Families are invited to explore ECM's exhibits, discover its seasonal programs, or become members for year-round learning fun. For more information, visit www.edwardsvillechildrensmuseum.org.