Welcome to Conservancy Kids!

Become a junior scientist, exploring the natural world, asking questions, and making discoveries. Join us for an adventure that will take you outdoors, around the house, and into the incredible Sonoran Desert.

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The Pokey Desert

The Sonoran Desert is an amazing place filled with plants and animals that have adapted to survive in this tough environment. Cacti are classic desert plants designed to handle harsh temperatures and lack of water. Cacti store water inside their fleshy pulp, which they save for times of drought. Because they are a great source of water, they protect themselves from thirsty animals with pokey spines. Be careful not to touch them—they'll get you!

Be Prepared to Explore!

As scientists, we need to make sure we're prepared to explore the outdoors safely! Always make sure an adult knows where you are going and when you'll be back. Bring your cell phone and plenty of water so you're ready for your adventure. Check out Luke's tips for exploring safely and our “be prepared” checklist below!

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Nicole Kallman, Education Manager
Nicole loves science and exploration. In college, she studied physics and biology. Now, she shares her excitement about science with others, encouraging everyone to follow in the footsteps of Miss Frizzle: “take chances, make mistakes, and get messy!”

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Luke Challis

Luke loves science and being out and about in nature! He studies a lot about biology, ways of thinking, and philosophy. Luke also loves to teach and encourage kids and adults to always keep learning.