Birds in my Neighborhood® is a volunteer-driven program for grades 2 through 5 helps students see nature in their community through the observation of birds.

Volunteers help run the program by working with teachers to schedule two classroom visits and a field trip to a local natural area. New volunteers must attend trainings to prepare for each part of the program.

### Become a Volunteer Instructor

**Commitment:** 15-20 hours per season  
**Responsibilities/Requirements:**  
- Attend three training sessions (details below)  
- Work with teacher to set the schedule for visits and field trip  
- Lead three visits with students: in-classroom lesson, bird walk in the schoolyard, and a field trip to a local natural area

### Provide Field Trip Support

**Commitment:** 5-10 hours per season  
**Responsibilities:**  
- Attend the Field Trip training session  
- Attend at least one field trip and support Volunteer Instructors by identifying birds and chaperoning students

### SPRING 2020 TRAINING SCHEDULE

**Thursday, February 6, 9:00am-12:00pm:** Overview and Classroom Lesson Tutorial, Openlands, 25 East Washington Street, Suite 1650, Chicago, IL

**Tuesday, March 10, 8:30-11:30am:** Schoolyard Bird Walk Tutorial, Location TBD

**Wednesday, April 15, 9am-12:00pm:** Field Trip Tutorial, Northerly Island, 1521 S Linn White Dr, Chicago, IL 60605

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