

A Hike at

BLACKACRE



in the Spring

by

Our hike started at the Nature
Center.

We began by walking down a trail
and into the woods.

It is spring. You can tell by looking at some of the plants.

There are other ways to tell that
spring is here. Many wildflowers
are in bloom.

Green plants are all around.
There are vines, bushes, trees
and small plants.

All of the trees are full of new, fresh green leaves. Some are dark green, some are yellow-green.

The sky reminds us that it is
spring.

We walked past the gully, where
the water has washed away the
soil.

The stream curved back and forth
like a snake moving through the
woods.

We could hear the sound of water trickling over the waterfall. It hasn't rained much so there isn't much water.

The trail led us back into the woods.

We had to climb over a tree that
had fallen over the trail.

We came to a place where we
crossed a small stream.

The water flowed around many
big rocks.

After we crossed the stream
we walked on through the woods.

The trail spilled us out into the
meadow.

The meadow was filled with brown grass and dried flowers from last summer, but fresh grass poked up through the old grass.

When we looked carefully, we
could see little trails made by
deer.

Deer come to the meadow to nibble on fresh grass and drink from the stream.

Another stream was flowing
through the meadow.

A little wooden bridge kept us
from getting our feet wet.

We stood on the little bridge and
looked down into the water.

After we crossed the bridge we
walked through a grove of cedar
trees.

The last part of the trail goes up a
very steep hill.

We could see the Nature Center
from the bottom of the hill.

Spring is here. The weather is warmer, the birds are busy, and green plants are starting to come up.

The Waterfall Trail was filled with
signs of spring.

What will the Waterfall Trail look like in the summer? Here's what we think!