

**Directions:**

We are located on Cold Spring Road between 30th and 38th street. Take the northernmost entrance into Marian College (near Allison Mansion). You may either park in the big lot in front of Marian Hall and use the stairs behind Allison Mansion or the stairs next to the St. Francis Colonnade, or park further back, behind the gym and follow the signs to "EcoLab Trailhead."

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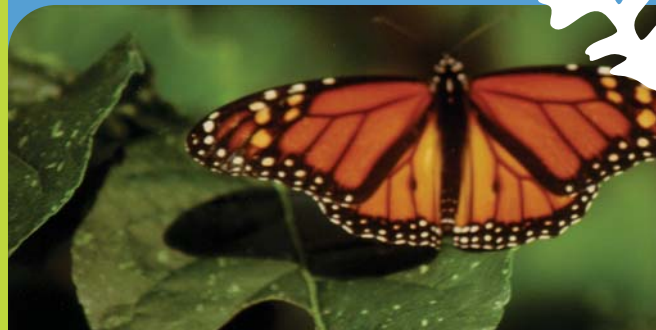
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## Come visit the EcoLab!

Marian College offers unique active learning opportunities for you and your students. We invite you to take advantage of the numerous activities found in Marian College's EcoLab.



### FIELD TRIP OPPORTUNITIES

- The Marian College EcoLab is a 55-acre outdoor environmental education laboratory on the north side of Marian's campus just a few minutes from downtown Indianapolis.
- We offer naturalist-led tours and hands-on stewardship opportunities.
- All of our activities meet Indiana Standards for Science and History.

### NATURE ACTIVITIES

- Learn about wetlands and the plants and animals that call this precious habitat home.
- Learn about plants that are native to Indiana—over 260 species are found in the EcoLab.
- Find out what biologists are doing to control invasive plants.
- Participate in a hands-on restoration project such as planting native vegetation, native seed collection and propagation, non-native plant removal, and others.

### HISTORICAL ACTIVITIES

- Tour Indianapolis 500 co-founder James A. Allison's Riverdale estate to learn about life in Indianapolis at the turn of the 20th century.
- Explore one of the best preserved historic landscapes in the country created by Jens Jensen, a famous landscape architect from the early 1900's.



The EcoLab's environmental education and volunteer coordinator will work with you to schedule a unique science- or history-based experience. To learn more about the EcoLab, visit [wetland.marian.edu](http://wetland.marian.edu), email [ecolab@marian.edu](mailto:ecolab@marian.edu), or call 317.997.8087.