MUTTS Program Overview

Miami Urban Tree Trekkers, or MUTTS, is a multidisciplinary K-12 program designed to educate students about the benefits of urban forests in South Florida. Guided by DHT educators, the program begins with a site visit to your classroom (optional) followed by school group visits to 3 different urban forests throughout the school year: Simpson Park Hammock, AD “Doug” Barnes Park, and Virginia Key Beach North Point Park. Students will explore and understand the unique biodiversity of each distinct habitat through various hands-on activities including nature journaling, sketching, estimating tree carbon storage, water quality testing, and more. At the end of their trekking adventure, students should walk away with a better understanding of urban forests and the native habitats that make South Florida so special. All lessons and activities are standards-based and support STEAM curriculum. It is our hope that students will become advocates for environmental preservation.
This multiple-visit experience is offered at no cost to students and includes transportation for Title 1 schools. Participation is limited! To join MUTTS, contact our School Programs Manager Lucia Meneses at education@dadeheritagetrust.org or 305-358-9572.