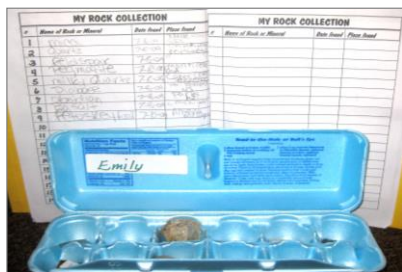


# ROCKS for KIDS!

- Collecting, of course!
- Inspecting, observing, comparing, washing...



- Recording
- Classifying
- Organizing...
- And **DISCOVERING** for the rest of your life!!



The Indian Mounds Rock & Mineral Club meets the  
3rd Tuesday of the month from 7-8:15 pm at  
Fifth Reformed Church, 2012 Griggs St SE, Grand Rapids  
[www.indianmoundsrockclub.com](http://www.indianmoundsrockclub.com)

Junior Members of the Indian Mounds Rock & Mineral Club are invited to also be members of the American Federation of Mineral Societies youth education program:

***Future Rockhounds of America (FRA).***

The big blue badge is available to kids ages 6-17 who attend at least 2 monthly meetings a year. Completion of *age-oriented* educational activities earns the junior **more** badges – *see the chart on the next page!* – as well as recognition on the national database of FRA.

Costs for this Juniors program is covered with the Family Membership in the Indian Mounds Rock & Mineral Club (IMRMC) \$25 per family per year. We regret we are not able to offer it as a drop-off program; *Parent or other adult is required to be present at the adult meeting or assisting with Juniors* for children to be in the Future Rockhounds program. See next page for more detail.



This is all **HANDS-ON** activity: with visuals and full-color worksheets, interactive demonstrations, and samples for each kid to take home each time. These sessions will provide practice with real Rocks, Minerals and Fossils for homeschool students, Science Fair & Earth Science projects, and Science Olympiad competitions.

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## American Federation of Mineralogical Societies (AFMS)

### Future Rockhounds of America (FRA) National Badge Program



- *To earn a badge, the junior (age 6-17) completes at least 3 of the suggested activities for that badge. Then your FRA leader will sign and forward the completion sheet to the AFMS Juniors Program chair to receive your badge.*
- *(Kindergarten students who have older siblings in the program may attend for fun, but will not receive AFMS badges until they reach 1st grade level in skills and attention span. A Parent may be required to assist these younger ones in class; thanks for understanding 😊)*
- *Kids can earn 4-6 badges a year by participating in **the Juniors Sessions at the Monthly meetings.***
- *They can **ALSO** do some badges on their own. Materials for several badges are available from the Juniors Coordinator.*

- *Once a junior earns 6 or more of the 21 badges, he/she will receive the official **AFMS ROCKHOUND** patch!*
- *Teens may also help as assistants in the sessions, working toward the Leadership and Communications badges.*
- *Cost for the badge program is covered in the annual Family Membership dues for the Indian Mounds Rock & Mineral Club!*

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### Future Rockhounds of America

*Sponsored by the American Federation of Mineral Societies*

*Achievement program for Junior members ages 6-17*

