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National Park Service Department of Interior Archeology for Kids

Program: (Excellent website)

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ARCHEOLOGY SUMMER CAMP at the Delaware County Historical Society's Meeker House 2019



Campers working at the Meeker House archeology Camp.



Students, 8-14 years old, were divided into three groups and assigned a place to dig where the ground-penetrating radar and magnetometry studies showed signs of anomalies in the soil. Each time a piece is discovered the students took depth measurements, drew a detailed map, and placed the artifacts into a brown paper bag. Many of the items that they discovered were pieces of brick, glass, and formed metal that was probably once a tool.

Tools of the Trade

You may think of shovels when you think of digging, but the most important piece of equipment in the archaeologist's toolkit is the trowel. Archaeologists use trowels to scrape away thin layers of soil from test units, or holes in the ground. Of course, archaeologists use many other tools in the field and lab. They need equipment to dig, sift, measure, and analyze artifacts. Some, like **Scanning Electron Microscopes (SEM)** are very specialized. Others, like tape measures, toothbrushes, and dustpans, are everyday objects.

Society for American Archeology <https://www.saa.org/about-archaeology/what-do-archaeologists-do>