Glenview Woods

North Branch of the Chicago River

Address or Nearest Intersection:

Harms Rd. and Glenview Rd., Skokie, IL.

Directions: From parking lot off of Harms Rd. just south of Glenview Rd., take the trail straight back through the woods to the river.

Owner: Forest Preserves of Cook County (permit required).

Habitat Description: Glenview Woods a beautiful forested site that gets very wet if there has been recent rainfall or flooding. Restoration of the site has resulted in very high quality woods and trails.

This popular forest preserve is bisected by the North Branch of the Chicago River. To the east of the river, visitors can take advantage of the North Branch Trail; to the west of the river, visitors can walk along unpaved trails and enjoy spring wildflowers, butterflies and birds thriving thanks to years of dedicated restoration efforts.

A large woodland known as the "Big Woods" once covered northeastern Cook County. Harms Woods and Glenview Woods were once part of the Big Woods.

Access to water: Good access, banks are not too steep and water is usually shallow. There is a shallow spot to the right (before you turn to the crossing at Glenview Rd.). There is also good access at the footbridge and along the river to your south.

Amenities: Port-o-potties are available seasonally. There is no picnic shelter.

Parking: Medium sized parking lot big enough for buses and cars.

Capacity: 60 students.



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