Please help us care for the trails.

• Stay on trails – watch for poison ivy along trail edges.

• Pets are allowed on several, but not all trails. Watch for signs and keep dogs on a leash.

• Clean up after pets. Dog waste bags are available at trailheads.

• Place all garbage in the bins at the trailheads.

Please no...

• Camping/fires
• Destruction of property
• Hunting, trapping or firearms
• Motorized vehicles
• Removal, destruction or harassment of wildlife or plants

Parking

On weekdays during the spring and fall semesters, visitor parking is available in the Constellation Brands Marvin Sands Performing Arts Center parking lot, also known as G-lot. During evenings, weekends and summer session, visitors may park in the main, or A, parking lot, in front of the main building.

Hours of Operation

The trails are free and open to the public during daylight hours, all year long.
Welcome to the FLCC Trails System

FLCC faculty, staff and students built the two Canandaigua campus nature trails for hands-on experience, educational study, scientific research and preservation of natural resources. The trails are a living example of the pride we take in modeling sustainable practices and environmental stewardship. 

Enjoy your visit!

Lincoln Hill Trail

The Lincoln Hill Trail is on the west side of campus, just off Marvin Sands Drive. Several entrances to this trail are marked on the map. The Lincoln Hill Trail is largely flat and approximately 2.5 miles in length. It features a broad center trail and a boardwalk over a wetland. Please note the boardwalk has no railings.

The most abundant trees here are sugar maple, followed by white ash and pignut hickory. There are also plenty of black walnut, shagbark hickory, red oak and hophornbeam. The shrubs, trees and wetland attract a wide variety of wildlife. Don't be surprised if you startle a deer on your walk! Leashed pets are welcome on this trail and plastic bags have been provided to clean up after your pet.

Classroom Trail

The Classroom Trail is on the east side of campus, off Laker Lane. The entrance is just beyond a large red barn. Look for a welcome sign near a small footbridge. The Classroom Trail, built in the early 1980s by FLCC students and staff, is a bit longer, over three miles, and is narrower and steeper than the Lincoln Hill Trail. It follows a ravine, offering lovely views. If you see large holes in trees, it may be evidence of the distinctive uncommon, pileated woodpecker, the largest member of the woodpecker family. Along the trail, you'll find a wooden pavilion that serves as an outdoor classroom — hence the name of the trail. Trails surrounding the athletic fields are frequently used for cross country meets. During cross county events, these trails are closed to the public. In the winter months, they are ideal for cross country skiing. Pets, even those on a leash, are not allowed on this trail.

Points of Interest

The following 12 locations correspond to various locations along the trails, as seen on the map.

GK Green Kiosk: Visit the green kiosk in our Student Center to learn more about FLCC and our sustainability initiatives.

OC Outdoor Classroom: A wooden pavilion that serves as an outdoor classroom.

OD Observation Deck: After walking the trail, enjoy the view from the observation deck.

OL Overlook: Take in a view of the wetlands.

SG Serenity Garden: A quiet place for contemplation designed by FLCC alumna Nikkohl Luehm ’11.

S1 Welcome to our Home: Information about wildlife in their natural habitat.

S2 Unwanted Invaders: Information about invasive plants found along the trails.

S3 The Benefits of Beavers: Learn about the impact these animals have on the ecosystem.

S4 Historic Land Uses: Information about what this site was used for in the past.

S5 Managing Storm Water Runoff: Learn about the role the wetlands play in the storm water runoff system at FLCC.

WO White Oak Tree: Visit the large white oak tree (Quercus alba), a favorite location of many faculty and staff on campus.

WR Weir: Part of the campus’ storm water management system, the weir is used to control the release of water from the wetlands.
This section of the trail may not be accessible depending on water level.