

Lee County Conservation Board Winter Programs

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Winter programs run November 15-March 15 of each year. Please limit winter programs to two-three per classroom to give each school a chance for programs. If there is topic you have in mind, but it is not on the list, just let us know and we can design a program to fit your needs. These programs can be scheduled at any time by calling our office; we fill up quickly, so call early!!

First Grade

Recyclable or Not?

Students will listen to the story "Recycle Everyday," learn about what can and can't be recycled, why it's important to recycle and make a recycled magazine bead necklace.

Squirrels and Acorns

Students will look at Iowa squirrels (fox, gray, flying), listen to a squirrel story, feel furs, and play a game involving squirrels and how they hide nuts for winter.

The First Forest Story and Forest Activity

Students will listen to the *First Forest* fable and be able to answer the question, "Why don't trees have leaves in winter?" Students will be able to explain the difference between a coniferous and deciduous tree. They will also play go Tree and make tree leaf prints.

Turtles

Students will listen to a story and learn about turtles, feel turtle shells and egg shell pieces, and make a turtle craft. But, the best part is they will have chance to see 3 different species of live turtles.

Crawdad Creek

Through the story *Crawdad Creek*, students will discover the diversity of plants and animals in a creek and some of the changes that occur in nature. Students will then go from station to station to make their own Crawdad Creek Book with stamps, coloring etc. while observing items found in the story such as arrowheads, insects, etc. (This lesson takes approx. 1 hour)

Honeybees

The students will discover how honeybees are a very important part of the ecosystem. Naturalists will dress a student as a honeybee and play the honeybee flower game and learn to dance like the bees.

Nocturnal Animals

Students will watch the Nifty Nightly Nocturnal Animals Puppet show and learn about different nocturnal animals. They will make paper bag raccoon puppets.