

# 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 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!!

## 6<sup>th</sup> Grade

### Backyard Birds

Students will learn to identify common backyard birds, listen to their calls, learn interesting facts, and play bird bingo.

### Archeology

Students will learn about archeology and will be given items relating to different groups of people that relate to their homes, tools, and daily activities. They will have to figure out if they are hunters/gathers, farmers, fishers, traders, or herders based on their items.

### Iowa Fish

Students will learn fish anatomy and Iowa fish identification. They will test their ID skills by playing a fish relay game.

### Native American Activities

Students will participate in daily activities of an early woodland tribe in Iowa. They will make cattail mats, grind corn, sew, scrape bowls, and learn about daily life of a Native American.

### Worm Composting

Students will learn about worm composting by making their own soda bottle worm composts. They will learn hands on how to take care of a compost pile and reduce their amount of waste that would normally go to a landfill. **Teachers provide the following materials: three 2-liter soda bottles per group (the class can do one or two columns for the entire class or one for each group of 4-5 students), newspaper, and two bags of potting soil.**

### Mississippi River Mussels

Students will learn the basic biology of mussels, species found in our area, commercial uses, history, and changes in the river itself. They will have the chance to see many examples.

### Bird Migration

Students will learn about bird migration, threats to bird species as they migrate. They will participate in an hands on demonstration, which requires a large area or gym if possible.

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