

Cass County Conservation Board



October 2020

CONSERVATION UPDATES:

<u>Lighted Halloween Campground!</u> October 24th Cold Springs Park, Lewis 7:00-9:00pm. FREE, non-scary, Drive into the Night! Volunteer to be a site, or Traffic guide!

COVID-19 Changes- To minimize risk and contamination Cass County Conservation Board (CCCB) is giving each district a week per month to schedule their Environmental Educational Programs. This is to minimize any district crossing. We realize this is not perfect and different from how we usually schedule, but there is flexibility in this schedule too.

October example:

 9/28-10/2 Atlantic SD
 10/5-9 Griswold SD
 9/12-16 CAM SD

 10/19-23 Others (like Headstart, Jack n Jill etc.)
 10/26-30- Atlantic SD

Schedule NOW for Batty for Bats (1-3) October Only, Gobble, Gobble (K-1) November Only. Limited times left during your school district's November weeks!!!! Seeds (1-3), or Oh Deer! (4) outdoor sessions. Programs to fit your schedule although most can take up to 45 min. Please contact me if you do not have a program list!

October includes fire prevention month don't forget Wildfires! Fire Ecology (6th and up) and let me help your class learn about Smokey Bear!!

Our Swan Contest will start October 1, have your class guess the day the first Trumpeter Swans arrive at the Schildberg Recreation Area and win a prize! Call or email my office to guess make sure you tell us your class, how many students you have, and your guess! We run this contest separate from the public, and if another class has guessed the same date already we will have you repick!

Snow is coming, have fun with it! December is not as busy for scheduling snowshoeing programs, as long as we have snow. I am gone December 14th-18th. I have 5 pairs of snowshoes that fit children 90 lbs. and below. I have 25 pairs fit children weighing up to 175 lbs. and 3 pairs for children over 175 lbs.

Stream and Lake Mats: 3' by 6' stream and lake mats are available. Lake Mat will be housed at the Outdoor Educational classroom, you can get it out and play with it as part of your experience there. The stream mat will be available to check out to use in your classroom. Each mat is dry erase (yes they can draw on it), comes with (appropriate) fish and other wildlife. Use as a center or arrival activity.

Field Trips: Reminder Outdoor Educational Classroom outside Massena is available to all school districts, ALL year round. Classroom/ lodge is heated. Lots of programming options available, including new trunks (Birds, Tracks, Iowater, and Orienteering) are available, contact Lora.

Please help me get new teachers email, if they are not receiving this! My email is lkanning@casscoia.us
Please visit our Conservation webpage at http://www.mycountyparks.com/County/Cass.aspx

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Future monthly newsletters will be sent to E-MAIL accounts Happy Halloween!



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