

# Cass County Conservation Board November 2021

## CONSERVATION UPDATES:

November 11th is the last day for entering the Swan Contest!! Let your class pick the first day the swans will arrive in Atlantic and win a class prize!

Kindergarten teachers -Countywide coloring contest and prizes will be during your visit or shortly after I am emailing the coloring page ahead of time.

### Upcoming public programs this month:

Building Better Birders Workshop, Outdoor Educational Classroom, Friday and Saturday November 19th & 20th. Our final Building Better Birders program will be a two day workshop format! Friday night November 19th will start with Waterfowl ID at 5pm (you can bring your dinner with you) and at 7pm Owl Prowl starts. We will hike and try to call in various species of Owls that may be in the park that night! Saturday starts at 8am with Sparrow ID with a birding hike to follow at 10am. 11am our very own SW Iowa Bluebird group will do a presentation! Break at noon for a catered lunch for \$10 in support of our Friends of the Outdoor Classroom. At 1pm our final program on Christmas Bird Count Marathon will conclude our workshop. ~ Deadline for pre-registration Nov. 15th. call 769-2372.

We have a survey for programs that I do for you in classroom. You will see this many times this year but here is the link! <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ZCHBJ5L>

Feel free to send me an email with program ideas! I know alot of things have shifted with the new science standards. I am here to help! Let me see where I can fit in to the class curriculum!

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.

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-17th. 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.

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 visit our Conservation webpage at <http://www.mycountyparks.com/County/Cass.aspx>

### Featured Programs:

Gobble, Gobble (K-1) November Only. Seeds (1-3), or Oh Deer! (4) a partial outdoor session. Programs to fit your schedule although most can take up to 45 min. Please contact me if you do not have a program list!

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Future monthly newsletters will be sent to E-MAIL accounts

Happy Thanksgiving!



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