

Educational Materials & Programs



Supplemental Resources

- **Publications** – Illinois-specific, science and social science topics
<http://www.dnr.illinois.gov/Publications>
- **Prying into Prions: Investigating Chronic Wasting Disease DVD** – lessons, video

This DVD is available by written request on school letterhead to the IDNR Division of Education (address shown at top of this page). Lessons are suitable for middle school and high school students.

- **Resources Trading Cards** – natural resources images and information

Resources Trading Cards are available by written request on school letterhead to the IDNR Division of Education (address shown at top of this page). Orders are limited to one pack of each set per teacher in Illinois schools.

- **Standards-based Lessons** – variety of topics and grade levels
<http://www.dnr.illinois.gov/education/Pages/LessonsInfo.aspx>

Learning Standards Search Page – search for lessons by grade level, learning standard, subject area and/or topic
<http://www.dnr.illinois.gov/education/Pages/Learning-Standards.aspx>



Grants

<http://www.dnr.illinois.gov/education/Pages/grants.aspx>

- **Illinois Biodiversity Field Trip Grant** – visit natural resources sites in Illinois; January 31 application deadline
- **Schoolyard Habitat Action Grant** – develop or enhance wildlife habitat on school grounds; November 30 application deadline
- Additional grants are offered by the IDNR's Coastal Management Program.
<http://www.dnr.illinois.gov/cmp/Pages/grants.aspx>

Professional Development

<https://www.enticeworkshops.com>

- **ENTICE** – Environment and Nature Training Institute for Conservation Education

online and in-person workshops for educators about the state's natural resources teaching resources

Professional Development Hours



Web-based Resources

- **Web** – <http://www.dnr.illinois.gov/education>
- **Facebook** – <http://www.facebook.com> Search: Illinois Department of Natural Resources Division of Education
- **List Server** – Subscribe: subscribe-dnr-education@lists.illinois.gov
- **Podcasts** – available in video and audio formats
 - <http://www.dnr.illinois.gov/education/Pages/podcasts.aspx>
 - **YouTube** – <http://www.youtube.com> Search: IDNREducation
- **Wildlife in the Classroom** – legal aspects of possessing wildlife and wildlife remains <http://www.dnr.illinois.gov/education/Documents/WITC.pdf>
- **SMARTBoard™ Activities** – <http://www.dnr.illinois.gov/education/Pages/SmartBoardintro.aspx>

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Items for Loan

lending locations statewide

<http://www.dnr.illinois.gov/education/Pages/ItemsForLoan.aspx>

- **Resources Trunks** – variety of topics and grade levels, complete teaching units
- **Field Packs**
 - ▣ **Field Trip Packs** – encourage nature exploration by early childhood students
 - ▣ **Illinois' Amphibians and Reptiles Field Packs** – assist with field observations of these fascinating creatures

Kids for Conservation®

<http://www.dnr.illinois.gov/outreach/kidsconservation/Pages/default.aspx>

- Web-based program for Illinois youth
- monthly topic, quiz, videos, Kids in Action and other features



Earth Day in the Parks

<http://www.dnr.illinois.gov/education/Pages/EDITPinstruct.aspx>

- natural resources stewardship activities for students at Illinois state parks
- April and May
- must apply and be selected

