ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

Online Resources for Educators

Lesson Plans and Student Activities

Lessons plans, background information, student activities, videos and other resources are part of the teaching units produced by the Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR). Aquatics, birds, wild mammals, trees and biodiversity are among the topics currently available.

Publications

Activity books and worksheets are included in this trunk. You should not write on these original copies, but you are welcome to copy them for use with your students. IDNR publications may also be ordered or downloaded.

Podcasts & Videos

Podcasts produced by the IDNR Division of Education are available on the IDNR Web site and YouTube (search for IDNREducation). There are lesson demonstrations as well as general information podcasts. The lesson demonstrations can help you preview and set up an activity.

Species Search & Wild About! Pages

Search for information on different native plant and animal species in Illinois. Includes features and behaviors, range, taxonomy, and status of species.

Wild Illinois History

Explore fur trading of the past and present with this online game. Additional lessons about fur trapping are included.

Coyote Tracks

Explore coyote ecology and behavior with this visualization tool using real data from radio-collared coyotes in urban and rural areas of Illinois. Inquiries questions are included to help students start exploring.

Equal opportunity to participate in programs of the Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) and those funded by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and other agencies is available to all individuals regardless of race, sex, national origin, disability, age, religion or other non-merit factors. If you believe you have been discriminated against, contact the funding sources civil rights office and/or the Equal Employment Opportunity Officer, IDNR, One Natural Resources Way, Springfield, IL 62702-1271; 217/785-0067; TTY 217/782-9175.

Printed by the Authority of the State of Illinois • DNR-ED-25039 • 2000 IOCI GRAPHICS