



Environmental Volunteers

Dear Teacher,

This document provides you information about the EV learning stations, or kits, that will be a part of your EV classroom program.

Class Size and Learning Station Selection

Our goal is to keep the student group sizes to 8 or fewer. If your class has 24 or fewer students, please select three of the four kits listed below. Classes of 25 to 32 students will automatically receive all 4 learning stations.

Learning Station Matrix Nature in Your Neighborhood: Structure and Function

Learning Station	NGSS Alignment	Description
Mammal Movement	DCI: LS1.A CC: Patterns	Using photos, track casts, and study specimens students will observe the differences between animals that walk on flatfeet, toes, or toenails.
Feathers	DCI: LS1.A	Students take a close look at the four basic types of bird feathers and discuss how each feather design helps birds to survive.
Fish Study	DCI: LS1.A SEP: Constructing Explanations and Designing Solutions	Students will learn that while certain parts of a fish have the same function, their different shapes and structures determine much about how and where the fish lives, and account for the great variety of fish in our oceans, lakes and rivers.
Plants and Their Parts	DCI: LS1.A CC: Patterns	Students examine the various parts of plants and their functions. They then apply this learning to plants commonly eaten and found in grocery stores.