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This website comes to us from Wisconsin and is useful for teachers, parents and grandparents alike!

- Under the heading of “Visit” have a look at “Get Outside” and “Museum” tours for young and mature learners.
- Under the heading of “Schools” investigate the amazing “Raptor Discovery Program”.
- Again under the “School” category, check out the MuseumMobile fall, winter and spring programs. Following is the overview for spring learning by grade.

Pre-K: Thinking About the Seasons

Students will look at a variety of spring items from nature, and make predictions as to why they relate to spring and what we may soon be hearing and seeing as spring approaches. (This lesson will not be provided in an online version. Just go outside!)

Grade K: Eggstravaganza

Students use their senses to discover spring things, which leads to an exploration of eggs. Who lays eggs? Students sort a variety of creatures into egg-layers and mammals, and then check their understanding while reading “Chickens Aren’t the Only Ones.”

Grade 1: A Northwoods Frog Chorus

Students act out the life cycle of frogs while learning about frog biology. We listen to the calls of native Northwoods frog species, and then become part of our own classroom frog chorus.

Grade 2: Tree Factory

The entire class becomes part of a tree, with each group demonstrating an important function in the process of photosynthesis and understanding how trees make their own food.

Grade 3: The Power of Pollination

Flowers are more than just pretty, they are there to make seeds for a new generation of plants—and they need pollinators to help. This lesson will explore some of the most common knowledge gaps and misconceptions about the process of pollination.

Grade 4: Home Tweet Home

Animal adaptations aren't just about body parts. Adaptations are actions, too! Students learn about the wide variety of nest-building styles of Wisconsin birds, and then try their hand at the difficult task of constructing a nest.

Grade 5: Amazing Beavers

Beavers have amazing adaptations that allow them to live a unique lifestyle. In addition, beaver dams and the wetland they create provide high-quality habitat to an incredible number of species. Because of that, they are known as “keystone species.”

Grade 6: ___Goldenrod Galls – Data Analysis

Look at graphs and other descriptive statistics from the goldenrod galls dissected during the winter visit. Discover how natural selection might be at work in a field of goldenrod, and talk about research study design. (This lesson is linked to the Cornell Institute for Biology Teachers lesson that we've used to create the 6th grade curriculum. It is a wealth of information!)

Bonus Lesson: Bear Basics

Students learn about the adaptations of black bears and what these omnivores eat. There's a video, and even a cooking demonstration!