



Cass County Conservation Board

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Future monthly newsletters will be sent by E-MAIL!

In order to get information to you in a timely manner, and to save paper, I will send future monthly newsletters to your e-mail account. If you are a NEW teacher please make sure I have your e-mail address for the newsletters. Please save my email in your contacts so you may receive this right to the inbox. If you are having difficulties of any kind, please let me know! I am hoping that you will continue to use my e-mail account as an easy way to contact me for scheduling programs. My e-mail address is **lkanning@casscoia.us** You can also find our teacher newsletters, program lists, and upcoming events on the website, listed below!

Conservation Updates:

Extra Resources!! We have many items to loan out to your classroom; don't be afraid to ask if I have something! We have bulletin board kits on the following topics: Dinosaurs, Life Cycles, Recycling, Rocks and Bugs.

Outdoor Educational Classroom Nature Trunks. Three of the trunks are finished so far are on Birds, Tracks, and Orienteering/GPS. These trunks contain both indoor and outdoor activities for Pre-K to 12th grade, for use at the Outdoor Educational Classroom. These activities are also correlated to the Iowa Core. For more information email Lora! If you travel to Outdoor Educational Classroom to use these **please fill out the appropriate survey!!** These trunks are made possible through a REAP-CEP grant. The Conservation Education Program (CEP) is a key provision of the Resource Enhancement and Protection (REAP) Act of 1989. A five-member board implements the CEP and annually they allocate approximately \$350,000 in grants for conservation education in Iowa. We will be working on a Trees trunk over the winter months!

Finally, Cass County Conservation Board their own Snowshoe equipment 5 pairs of small (90lbs below), 25 (90-175lbs) and 3 (220 above). Ready to use all winter long! Please consider field trips to Outdoor Educational Classroom, Turkey Creek Educational Area, and Pellett Memorial Woods just to name a few! Subjects that can be utilized are history, science and physical education.

Important information:

- MONARCH PROGRAMS...Please call me to arrange for your monarch program as soon as possible! I hopefully will have monarchs to tag for your program! *I cannot provide you with caterpillars* but I can supply you with tags! I also have TONS of monarch nets, games, puzzles, crafts, and books available for check out! Make the most of this learning experience!
- **Schedule the WHOLE year!! Before you get busy with your students, I am available to sit down with you or a lead grade teacher and schedule before the year starts! Just a suggestion the following days:**
- **Atlantic School District's day is Monday August 11th, Griswold Tuesday August 12th, and CAM is Wednesday August 13th.**
- Fall Field Trips! Fall is a great time to do Orienteering, water monitoring, and much more!
- I am still in the process of correlating my programs to the Iowa CORE. Your program guide includes the finished ones! Program lists can be found here: <http://www.mycountyparks.com/County/Cass/Content/For-Teachers.aspx>

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