

EcoArtists **Post Trip Community Service Options**

Post trip learning activities will involve writing and art to complete one of the following:

- Write a post card to the DaVinci secondary students recording environmental actions they are doing, things they learned and liked at EcoArtists.
- Plant Wildflower seeds in pots indoors or in Spring on open soil near school.
- Create a fact card for the school educating other classes about the habitats visited including: what they would see, what artistic elements they would encounter, what species depend on that habitat and what they can do to protect it.

Following completion of these student products of learning, we ensure that these materials reach the appropriate audience beyond the classroom.

Post Learning Activities

Graphic Analysis

Students create a concept map for the EcoArtists Habitats. It can be used to learn what students learned on their field trip or as an instructional tool that helps develop an understanding of habitat relationships.

Text Set Research

The teacher brings a collection of books from the library on the topic. Students use these to help answer the questions.

- What is special about _____ habitat? What plants, animals and non-living elements make up this habitat?
- Highlight an animal that is dependent on a habitat. How does it depend on and give to the habitat?
- Show a diagram of a food chain starting with a plant and ending with a mushroom that turns a predator back into soil.
- Write a story about a species found in one of the habitat murals made at EcoArtists

Species Research

The following species are commonly observed, or evidence of their local existence is found on EcoArtists. Your students can research them and share what they know with the class.

Plants		
Trillium	Trout Lily	Wild Leek
Blood Root	Jack in the Pulpit	Blue Cohosh
Ostrich Fern	Cattail	Poison Ivy
Goldenrod	Aster	Teasel
Queen Anne's Lace	Burdock	Wild Strawberry
Sugar Maple	Trembling Aspen	American Beech
Black Cherry	White Cedar	Eastern Hemlock

White Birch		
Fungi	Artist's Conk	
Animals and Birds	Grey Squirrel	Chipmunk
Red fox	Green Frog	Chorus Frog
Spring Peeper	Meadow Vole	Blue Jay
Mourning Dove	Cardinal	American Goldfinch
American Crow	American Robin	Downy Woodpecker
Hairy Woodpecker	American Kestrel	House Wren
Blue Bird	Tree Swallow	Song Sparrow
White Breasted Nuthatch	Red Breasted Nuthatch	Common Grackle
Starling	House Sa	

