

Post Trip Activity

TOPIC: What trees mean to us

THEME: Trees have importance naturally, aesthetically and for what they give us

MATERIALS: markers, flash cards, masking tape

POST-TRIP: In Class – brainstorming and categorizing

1. Ask for a quick review of highlights of field day.
2. Discussion on: What do you like about trees? How do you think trees contribute to every day life?

Choose three scribes. They will write down student responses on flash cards. And facilitator writes them on the board for the scribe to copy. (The board is divided into three columns, one for each scribe). After everyone in the circle has a chance to contribute, pass out the flash cards randomly to students and have them organize cards as to:

1. Trees are valued as part of an Ecosystem (Ecological processes in forests)
2. Trees are valued as a Resource (Utility of trees)
3. Trees are valued for their Beauty (Aesthetic goodness (including recreation))

Double-sided masking tape is run down the Board in accordance to the three categories. Each student sticks their flash card to one of the tapes.

Ask “Does everyone agree with the flashcards?”

Ask “Have we missed anything?”

Ask “Why is stewardship of the forest important?”

Cards can be used for wall word bank.

For any class interested in writing to Chris Hatfield to thank him for welcoming us to his property and museum, here is his address:

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