



WOW-Wetlands Action Plan

What is the problem/issue needing improvement and why is it a problem/in need of improvement?

K-2 Example

We recently had a school assembly about wetlands and ways we can help the wetland even though we live far away. It's important to care about the wetland because they are home to a lot of different kinds of wildlife and protect the coast.

How is it hurting or bothering people, the school and/or the environment?

3-5 Example

While our school is not near a wetland, we learned about their importance to wildlife, especially migrating birds. The migrating birds actually fly through our community so it's important to have a healthy habitat for them as stopover on their journey.

What action(s) will we take?

K-2 Example

- Protect local wildlife by cleaning up litter
- Plant native trees, shrubs and plants

How will we persuade people at school to change current practices in order to solve the problem/make improvements?

3-5 Example

- Research habitat needs of 2 species of migrating birds
- Hold a fundraiser to raise awareness about wetlands and for monies for our plants
- Plant habitat elements needed by the migrating birds



How will we check our progress to see how are we doing?

K-2 Example

- Eco-Action team meetings
- Photograph progress

3-5 Example

- Eco-Action team meetings
- Photograph and video progress

What will it look like or what will happen if we solve the problem/make improvements?

K-2 Example

- There is very little or no litter on the school grounds, especially up against the fences and under the shrubs
- Plant one native tree, 4 shrubs and a dozen plants

3-5 Example

- Worked with art teacher to have students create art to be sold at the fundraiser.
- Raised money for habitat elements via the fundraiser
- Planted and installed habitat elements best suited to the two migrating bird species we researched.

What materials do we need to solve our problem/make improvements?

K-2 Example

- \$125 for safety vests, gloves, trash picker-uppers (see if local hardware store will donate)
- \$200 plants (see if local nursery can donate and make a request to the PTA/PTO)

Do we have them at school? Will we need any money? Where can we find donations?

3-5 Example

- \$100 snacks and punch for fundraiser
- Fundraiser covered the cost of organic soil amendments, native plants, trees and shrubs and a birdbath.