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Dear Driftless Area Educators:

The Allamakee County Conservation Board would like to invite you and your students to the new Driftless Area Education and Visitors Center (Driftless Center) in Lansing, Iowa.

The Driftless Center is a 10,000 square foot environmental education facility operated by the Allamakee County Conservation Board. The building is situated on the shores of the Mississippi River in the heart of the Driftless Area. It features interpretive displays based on the flora and fauna, Native American history, commercial industry, and unique geology of the Driftless Area. Many of the interpretive displays feature hands on activities and were professionally designed by Split Rock Studios of St. Paul, MN to accommodate all age ranges of visitors. The Driftless Center offers field trip opportunities throughout the entire school year with several options to match the grade and curriculum of your students.

Field trips to the Driftless Center are designed and lead by staff of the Allamakee County Conservation Board with the help of your teachers. Staff members of the Driftless Center are professionally trained in environmental education and can match the programs with any level of students that wish to visit the Driftless Center. Field trips to the Driftless Center can range from 2 hours to an entire day. All field trips are FREE of charge to all schools and nonprofit education groups!

If you would like to learn more or schedule a field trip opportunity at the Driftless Area Education and Visitors Center you may contact us at (563)538-0400 or by email at Allamakee.naturalist@gmail.com

Sincerely,

Ross Geerdes

Naturalist,

Allamakee County Conservation Board

To help the Staff of the Allamakee County Conservation Board and the Driftless Center best design your field trip please fill out the following information and return accb.naturalist@gmail.com.

Name of School: _____

Staff contact, name, phone, and email: _____

Grade level: _____ Approximate Number of Students: _____ Number of teachers and adult chaperones: _____

Arrival Time: _____ Departure Time: _____

Activities you are interested in:

PreK-2nd Grade

Opening Activity:

Quick Frozen Critters
Pond Chorus
Tootsie Roll Activity

Small GroupActivities:

Guided building tour
Educational movies
Live animals
Pond netting

Scavenger hunt

Unnature trail
Mammals of Iowa
Tree Detectives

3rd -5th Grade

Opening Activity:

O! Deer
Turtle Hurdles
Tootsie Roll Activity

Small GroupActivities:

Guided building tour
Educational movies
Live animals
Pond netting

Tracks! Tracks! Tracks!
Native American Games
Fur Trading Game
Food Chains
Plight of the Pollinator

6-8th Grade

Opening Activity:

Habitat Lap Sit
Migration Headache
Survivor!

Educational movies
Geology
Live animals
Fishing

Food Chains
Plight of the Pollinator
Water Sampling
Navigation and Orienteering

Small GroupActivities:

Guided building tour

Tracks! Tracks! Tracks!
Fur Trading Game