

Stopping the Spread of Aquatic Invaders in Illinois

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Introduction to Stewardship Project

This project is a fact book about the invasive species that affect the state of Illinois.

Objectives

The goal of the project was to educate readers and give the Champaign County Forest Preserve a fact book for its patrons to use.

Student Activities

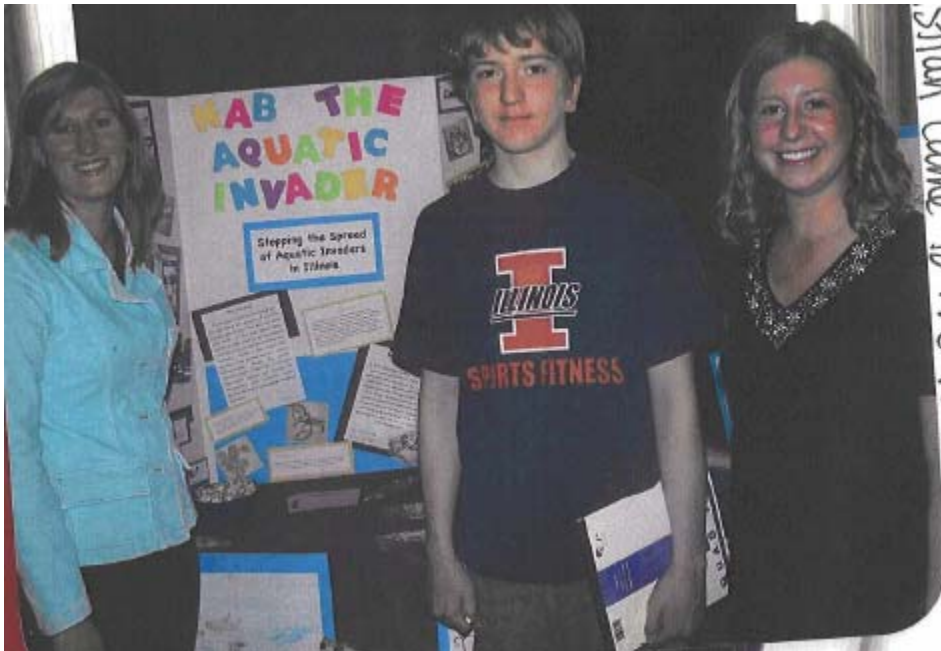
Each student contributed pages to the fact book. The Students worked in groups to create pages about many different species. The book is organized by species and uses the same template to educate readers about each species. Students drew pictures of the species and identified the species by their scientific names. Students decided what to include and were responsible for all of the work done. Additionally, students signed their pages to take ownership of their work.

Outcome/Impact of the Project

The students seemed to enjoy learning about invasive species in this manner. Future classes can use the fact book and the Champaign County Forest Preserve can also continue to use it as a preparation book for their environmental education classes. The students were excited that their work would be on display for the community.



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