



# ART CONTEST 2022

BLACK HILLS PARKS & FORESTS ASSOCIATION

## WATER IS EVERYWHERE!

### Suggested topics to align with South Dakota Grade Level Science Standards:

\*This activity is designed as an option to help supplement science standard needs, BUT not as the only activity to cover a science standard.

#### Kindergarten - 2nd Grade Topics:

- > Animals and plants need water to survive. Where do prairie animals find water and how does it meet their needs? (K-LS1-1) (1-LS1-1) (2-LS2-1, 2-LS4-1)
- > Water shapes the land. (2-ESS1-1, 2-ESS2-1)
- > Water is everywhere! What bodies of water are near you? (K-ESS3-3)(2-ESS2-2, 2-ESS2-3)
- > Local weather patterns and variations (K-ESS2-1, K-ESS3-1) (2-ESS1-1)
- > Clean water is important for human health and safety. How can humans reduce pollution and impacts on water sources? (K-ESS3-3)

#### 3rd Grade - 5th Grade Topics:

- > Animals and plants need water to survive. What adaptations do prairie animals and plants have to meet their needs? (3-LS3-1, 3-LS3-2, 3-LS4-2, 3-LS4-3, 3-LS4-4) (4-LS1-1, 4-LS2) (5-LS1-1)
- > Prairie animal food chains and food webs (5-PS3-1, 5-LS1-1)
- > South Dakota was once covered in water as an inland sea. What do fossils tell us about the adaptations, traits, and environment that existed long ago? (3-LS3-1, 3-LS4-1) (4-ESS1-1)
- > The South Dakota landscape is shaped through weathering and erosion. What role does water play in this? Through history how has the South Dakota landscape been shaped by water? (4-ESS1-1, 4-ESS2-1, 4-ESS2-2) (5-ESS2-2)
- > Explain the water cycle, how does it impact where you live? (5-ESS2-1)
- > Everyone lives in a watershed, where does your water come from? Learn about the watershed you live in. (5-ESS2-1, 5-ESS2-2)
- > Clean water is important for human health and safety. How can humans reduce pollution and impacts on water sources? (4-ESS3-2) (5-SS3-1)

### Resources to support curriculum and lesson plan development:

**Project WET:** [www.projectwet.org](http://www.projectwet.org)

Project WET (Water Education Today) is a collection of curriculum materials for educators to help facilitate water education. Their mission is "Advancing water education to understand global challenges and inspire local solutions"

**Project WILD:** [www.fishwildlife.org/projectwild](http://www.fishwildlife.org/projectwild)

Project WILD is a collection of curriculum materials for educators to facilitate wildlife based conservation and environmental education.

**USGS Water School:** [www.usgs.gov/special-topics/water-science-school/teachers-resources-water-education](http://www.usgs.gov/special-topics/water-science-school/teachers-resources-water-education)

A collection of resources including diagrams and poster, virtual lessons, lesson plans, and data.

*To learn more about South Dakota based field trips, classroom programming, and virtual learning options:  
[BlackHillsParks.org/education-resource-hub/](http://BlackHillsParks.org/education-resource-hub/)*

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