



# Baltimore County Outdoor Science Grade Two Classification of Vertebrates



## Station Leader Responsibilities

### 1. Set-up - 5 Stations

- Arrive early - 45 minutes before buses arrive
- Chaperones will come with bus.
- Bring materials listed below for your station.

#### Station #1 - Predator/Prey Game

Bring: Two colors of popcorn (plain white and yellow cheddar)

#### Station #2 - Homes and Hiding Places

#### Station #3 - Animal Blinds

#### Station #4 - Mammals and Birds of Maryland

#### Station #5 - Amphibians, Reptiles, and Fish of Maryland

Bring: Instant Hand Sanitizer (Antibacterial)

### 2. Teach Station

- Read script for background information and questions to ask students - use Socratic Method.
- Talking points for each station are provided to help with your questions - given out today - permanent one at the station.
- You are not expected to know everything - encourage students to use library and web for answers.
- Bring a friend to help!!

### 3. Station Materials

- Stress care of equipment to student --\$\$\$\$
- Carefully explain and demonstrate how to use each piece of equipment.
- Ask chaperones to help.
- Count equipment before and after station use. *Complete Equipment Check List* and return to Walter at end of day.

#### **4. Time Keeping**

- Send group to next station on time and in the correct direction.
- Each session is about 30 minutes long (depends upon bus arrival and departure). **PLEASE WEAR A WATCH.**
- Walkie Talkies will be used for communication with teacher naturalist
- If pushed for time, make sure students get the hands on experiences and environmental connections.

#### **5. Be Prepared**

- Dress for the weather - layers are best
- Bring plenty of water

#### **6. Helping Chaperones**

- Give directions to bathrooms.
- Make sure students are chaperoned when bathrooms are in use.
- Ask chaperones to help with the disciplining of students. - if students are not cooperating modify program as needed.
- Remind chaperones to straighten lunch area after use.

#### **7. Communication**

- Lead parent will communicate with teachers and trained parents.
- Call your school if you have questions about the weather (if your school or Hereford Zone is closed the trip is cancelled).