Recycling Counts

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Introduction

• A team from the Introductory Education class at NWACC organized a recycling presentation for Earth day with a tree planting event.

• NWACC students collaborated with Pea Ridge Elementary School to plant a tree on the Pea Ridge campus.
Project Overview

• The project served 3 purposes:
  • To introduce the students to recycling practices.
  • To involve the students in protecting their environment.
  • To give back to the earth so that it can give back to you.
Course Content Objectives

• Become more aware of our selves as a learner and future teacher.

• Examine our beliefs and opinions about teaching and learning.

• Broaden our understanding of the role of schools in our community through service.
Methods

- Zabrina Elington contacted Mrs. Henson at Pea Ridge Elementary, and was able to get project approval.
- Lauren Allen picked up the apple tree.
- Lauren Wright designed water bottle labels, to give to the students.
- Sara Jane started the brochure to hand to students, Zabrina and both Lauren's completed it.
Activities with Students

Tuesday April 21st
• Teach about recycling and what is recyclable.
• Play a fun recycling center game.
• Read Magic School Bus book on recycling.

Wednesday (EARTH DAY) April 22nd
• Finish Discussion on Recycling.
• Plant a tree with the students.
Technology Used

• Digital Camera
• Microsoft Word PowerPoint
• Microsoft Word Processor
• Microsoft Word Publisher
• Computer and Printers
• Internet
Skills Achieved

• Teamwork
• Patience
• Tree Planting
• Recycling Techniques
• Teacher Techniques
  • Keeping children interested
  • Getting Children Involved
Project Results

• Tree was successfully planted.
• Children were given a chance to be involved in improving their school yard.
• Children learned about Earth Day and the value of keeping the environment safe through recycling.
Ideas for Future

• The small tree we have planted will eventually turn into a large apple tree. This tree will eventually produce fruit, and give back to the students.

• The children will feel accomplished when they are able to collect the fruit.

• The children will be able to teach their parents about recycling and its benefits.
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