

School Outreach and Assembly Ideas



NOTE: This is merely a listing of local performers and presenters. Inclusion on this list is neither an endorsement nor promotion by the Madison County Green Schools Program. It is the task of each school to determine which performer or presentation will best suit a school's needs.

Performers

- **Jack Kaufmann:** Jack lifts the role of environmental educator to new and exciting levels in this award-winning music and multi-media event. His performances are emotionally captivating, education, and powerfully entertaining. <http://in-the-green.net/>
- **Marilyn Kinsella:** A wonderful storyteller! Some of her performances include Earth Day stories, "Journey through the Stars" stories, and Native American "Stories from Mother Earth." <http://www.marilynkinsella.org/>
- **Metro Theater Company:** Metro Theater Company's education programs are designed and conducted with the belief that every person has creative potential, that the arts are a powerful tool to reach all learners, and that theater experiences have the power to create community and promote democratic dialogue. <http://metroplays.org/>

Animal-Based Presentations

- **Animal Tales:** Animal Tales' mission is to educate, entertain, and inspire with their programs. Programs include Nature's Olympians; Ready, Set, Reptiles!; Created Creatures; and Creepy Critters. Programs are available for schools, libraries, camps, scout groups, churches, clubs and organizations, fundraisers, and special events. <http://animaledzoocation.com/home/>
- **St. Louis Zoo:** We'll bring the Zoo to you! The St. Louis Zoo provides programming for anyone, including schools, libraries, senior groups, scout groups, day cares, and numerous other community organizations. All of their programs can be adapted to fit your group's unique needs. <http://www.stlzoo.org/education/outreachprograms/>
- **The Tye-Dyed Iguana:** Our interactive reptile experience is an age specific, hands-on demonstration at the location of your choice. Demonstrations include an educational segment about each animal and time for audience members to hold and pet the animals. <http://thetyedyediguana.com/parties-demos/>
- **Treehouse Wildlife Center:** Programs are specifically designed for school assemblies, classrooms, senior citizen centers, service organizations, and clubs for all age groups. The outreach programs utilize animals in our permanent resident program combined with discussion of the natural histories of native species. <http://treehousewildlifecenter.com/education.html#outreach>

- **World Aquarium:** The World Aquarium offers Wet n' Wild Outreach Programs that bring the Aquarium to you! Each program, including Creepy Crawly Ocean Animals, Creature Feature, and Marine Biology Career Exploration, fills educational needs in aquatic ecology. <http://www.worldaquarium.org/outreach-experiences/>

Science-Based Presentations

- **Madison County CAREE Agriculture in the Classroom:** Agriculture in the Classroom is a national program to inform students and teachers about how agriculture is a part of their daily lives. <http://madcocaree.org/>
- **The Nature Institute:** The Nature Institute provides environmental education and field trips in and out of the classroom, teacher professional development workshops, and resources to supplement teachers' curriculum. <https://www.thenatureinstitute.org/>
- **National Great Rivers Research and Education Center:** NGRREC provides a variety of comprehensive education and outreach programs that target K-12 students, including in-classroom citizen scientist training. The Center's education programs increase public understanding of big rivers, their watersheds and floodplains, and the interaction between the rivers and their human, plant, and animal communities. <http://www.ngrrec.org/Education/>
- **St. Louis Science Center:** We provide educational programs as well as field trips to our site. Our mission is to ignite and sustain lifelong science and technology learning. <http://www.slsc.org/>
- **Illinois Math and Science Academy:** IMSA Professional Field Services offers professional development for teachers and enrichment programs for students. <https://www.imsa.edu/extensionprograms>
- **Magic House:** Magic House's outreach programs are offered in two formats: Science Learning Lab Programs and Interactive Presentations. Programs are offered for Preschool through 5th grade and include presentations about water, the environment, sustainability, and electricity. <https://www.magichouse.org/education-outreach.php>
- **Mad Science of St. Louis:** Mad Science offers a variety of STEM assemblies, after-school programs, and in-class interactive workshops. <http://stlouis.madscience.org/>