2024 River Watch Forum

Lafayette High School, Red Lake and Clearwater watershed, February 28th 2024

Team/Watershed Overview

In 1970 the Red Lake Watershed District was established under the Minnesota Watershed District Act. The Red Lake Watershed is about 5,990 square miles. This is a governmental unit responsible for managing and protecting the Red Lake Watershed water resource.

There are nine member in the river watch team. The juniors and senior, Lua Vasconcelos, have been in river watch for one year. The other seniors have been doing it for two years. Mr. Kenfield our advisor has been doing river watch for 10 years now. The Red Lake Falls river watch team has nine different sites in the water shed. The sites are Gentilly Creek, Kripple Creek, Cyr Creek, RL20, BL 10, RL 10, CLE 1, Lower Badger Creek, and Terrebonne Bridge.

Seniors:
- Ava Anderson
- Quinnlyn Kenfield
- Nadia Delorme
- Jace Seeger
- Lua Vasconcelos

Juniors:
- Harmonee Buckholz
- Morgan Koshenina
- Elizabeth Lytle
- Brock Knott

Advisor/Teacher:
- Mr. Kenfield

Podcast

The podcast is about the past and present uses of the Clearwater and Red Lake river in the Red Lake Falls area. Some things that are talked about is the history of the river and why we settled where we did along with the saw mills we had in town. Other things that are talked about is the water activities we have like tubing, kayaking/canoeing, swimming, and fishing. To record the podcast we use the Spotify podcast app on a team members phone.

Brock Knott and Jace Seeger recording the podcast.

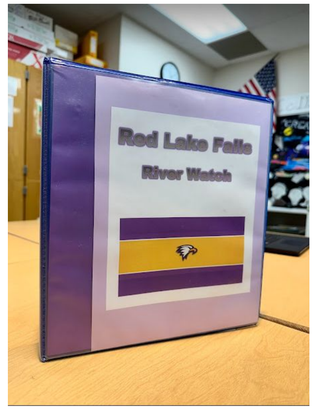
River Watch Calendar

For the calendar the dates consists of national holidays, and holidays involving the environment and different activities in our town including, opening of the pool, summer fest and when Voyagers View opens. Which is a camping and tubing place in town. The calendar also has fishing opener and when school starts and ends, along with more.

The calendar background pictures are what coordinate with each month. For the pictures, we gathered them from the advisor or pictures we took ourselves of the other group members or pictures we took of the river, and activities done on the river.

Sampling Binder

We got most of the information we already had for the binder from a binder we use to collect our data for river. We then went on stream stats and got the picture of the drainage area. The other information we collected was common knowledge we know that we had to just put onto paper. Some of the other information was gathered from the internet such as the latitude and longitude of certain locations. We used google maps and the use of computer tools to take screenshots and draw on the images to show the sampling areas. As a group we had the advantage of using information known from our administrator.



Plans for 2024/Assignment Feedback/Other

There are some plans we would like to accomplish this year in river watch

- Have public parking for Highway 32 access
- Improve current access at RL10
- Work with public and private agencies to improve litter control

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