

# Giving Tuesday 2016: Send Manitoba students on their next water adventure

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"In the end we will conserve only what we love. We will love only what we understand. We will understand only what we are taught." — Baba Dioum, Senegalese conservationist

Donate at the link below to send Manitoba students on their next water adventure.



The wonder of new discovery is a special thing.

We all remember the first time we had the chance to experience our natural ecosystems: The first time we went out in a boat on open water. The first time we saw a dragonfly up close. The first time we caught tadpoles in a bucket.

We all remember the first time we truly understood that we are all connected – understood that our actions have an impact on the world around us, and that we have a choice as to whether that impact will be positive or negative.

At LWF, we believe discovery through education can light the spark of curiosity in a young scientist or conservationist. We want Manitoba students to have the opportunity to get hands-on with water stewardship.

Our school field trip fund creates this opportunity – providing local teachers with small grants that offset the transportation costs and entrance frees of water-related excursions. Over the years we've made experiential learning possible for hundreds of students at Oak Hammock Marsh, FortWhyte Alive, the Manitoba Museum and onboard the M.V. Namao research vessel.

In 2017, we want to light the spark of curiosity in even more students by growing our school field trip fund - and we need your help to do it.

#### #GivingTuesday and LWF

Giving Tuesday 2016 takes place on Nov. 29. Occurring on the first Tuesday after the U.S. Thanksgiving holiday (and after the sales frenzy of Black Friday and Cyber Monday), it's a day to celebrate and support philanthropy.

This year, your donation will send Manitoba students on their next water adventure. Our goal is to raise \$2,000 in 24 hours – and we've created a special online donation page that makes giving easy!



All Giving Tuesday donations we receive will support our 2017 school field trip fund:

For \$5, you will offset one student's entrance fee to the Manitoba Museum's Science Gallery, giving them the opportunity to experience the award-winning Lake Winnipeg: Shared Solutions exhibit and its "Watershed of the future" computer simulator.

"The interactive computer simulation provided students with different options and scenarios to pursue, which included topics such as the economy, the environment and the community. Students that became invested in the outcome of the game had an awesome experience." – Grade 10 teacher

## **Gordon Bell Museum 2016.JPG**



For \$25, you will help send 10 students to FortWhyte Alive for an afternoon of "critter dipping" and water testing.

"We learned about the water cycle, and we tested lake water and swamp water for chemicals and organisms living in it. We really enjoyed critter dipping." - Grade 8 participants

### **FWA 2015.JPG**



For \$60, you will provide 20 students with the opportunity to explore Oak Hammock Marsh and discover the diversity of plants and wildlife that depend on this internationally recognized wetland.

"I really enjoyed learning about damselflies and dragonflies in the critter dip. In the owl pellet dissection, I liked seeing the fascinating rodent bones." - Grade 6 participant

#### **OHM 2015.JPG**



For \$150, you will make possible a bus trip from Winnipeg to Gimli, where an entire class will set sail onboard the M.V. Namao to practice hands-on science as part of the Lake Winnipeg Research Consortium's Lake Ecology Field Program.

"While onboard the Namao, students were responsible for accurate field notes, including drawing specimens and completing an onboard written and video assignment. This was a great opportunity for students to engage in authentic scientific research." - Grade 7/8 teacher



Take action this Giving Tuesday: Donate to send students on a water adventure in 2017.



Thank you for your support. Your generosity will make a difference.

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