



Bee Campus USA Annual Report for 2018 Pollinator Conservation & Education



Central Community College Grand Island, Nebraska

EDUCATION & OUTREACH



Pollinator Festival. Photos: Benjamin Newton

More than 150 members of the Grand Island community and beyond participated in the first annual Central Community College Pollinator Festival that promoted awareness and understanding about pollinator's habitat. Here's a summary of all education and outreach events in 2018.

- Bee presentation at Earth Week 4/19/18
- Giltner Middle School presentation 5/5/18
- Pollinator garden tour with Boy Scouts Merit Badge USA 7/27/18
- Pollinator Garden Tour with Doniphan Garden Club 8/6/18
- Pollinator Festival 10/13/18

POLLINATOR HEALTH & HABITAT



On September 5, 2018, Sustainability office staff added plants to the pollinator garden. On October 12, 2018, concrete pads and benches were installed in the pollinator garden. Wood logs have also been added to the pollinator garden for nesting.

The photo at left shows Weed Shield planting day at the pollinator garden.

POLICIES & PRACTICES

Curriculum, multiple layers of administration, bee keepers, community members, faculty, students, and facilities staff provide a diverse committee that provides a broad influence from multiple areas. The main goals and initiatives are shared by the entire institution. We have the native plant supplier list in hard copy. No pesticides are sprayed in the pollinator garden.

SERVICE-LEARNING



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On September 20, 2018, about 31 students and 8 others volunteered a total of 73 hours with the Nebraska Statewide Arboretum to plant 2000 small native ground covers in the pollinator garden as a natural weed shield to emerge in the spring. We also had pollinator projects at the Nebraska State Fair Sustainability Pavilion.

CURRICULUM



Beekeeping class. Photos: Benjamin Newton

Public Speaking (for credit) 91 students, English Composition 1 (for credit) 52 students, General Biology (for credit) 64 students, Environmental Science (for credit) 6 students, Beginning Beekeeping (not for credit) 13 students, Advanced Beekeeping (not for credit) 11 students, Pollinator habitat (not for credit) 5 students.

EDUCATIONAL SIGNAGE

Temporary habitat identification signs were installed in the Pollinator Garden. A permanent sign will be installed in spring 2019.

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