

K-3 Watershed Resource Box

Sponsored by the Southwest Florida Water Management District to promote water resources education in west-central Florida schools

What is the K-3 Watershed Resource Box?

The K-3 Watershed Resource Box is a collection of teaching and learning materials designed to help students in early elementary grades learn about watersheds and Florida's water resources. The teacher's curriculum guide emphasizes reading skills and offers a series of engaging hands-on activities, investigations and classroom experiments related to water education. Activities and materials are correlated to Florida's Sunshine State Standards and benchmarks in language arts, mathematics, science, social studies and the arts. The K-3 Watershed Resource Box, worth \$500, is available through the Southwest Florida Water Management District's Splash! mini-grant program. For more information, visit WaterMatters.org/education/.

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What is in the K-3 Watershed Resource Box?

Curriculum Guide

The teacher's curriculum guide is a collection of lessons, activities and experiments incorporating the materials in the Resource Box. The guide includes student worksheets and step-by-step instructions for teachers.

Books

The K-3 Watershed Resource Box contains several books designed to engage students in water-related issues.

Entertaining fiction and poetry targeted to promote discussion and consideration of water topics include the following:

- *Wonderful Watersheds*, an original big book designed especially for the Resource Box
- *William the Curious: Knight of the Water Lilies*
- *Splash: Poems of Our Watery World*
- *River Friendly, River Wild*
- *Follow the Water from Brook to Ocean*
- *This Is the Rain*
- *Water Dance*
- *The Magic School Bus Wet All Over*
- *Water, Water Everywhere*

The Resource Box also incorporates student resource books offering background information and material for research assignments:

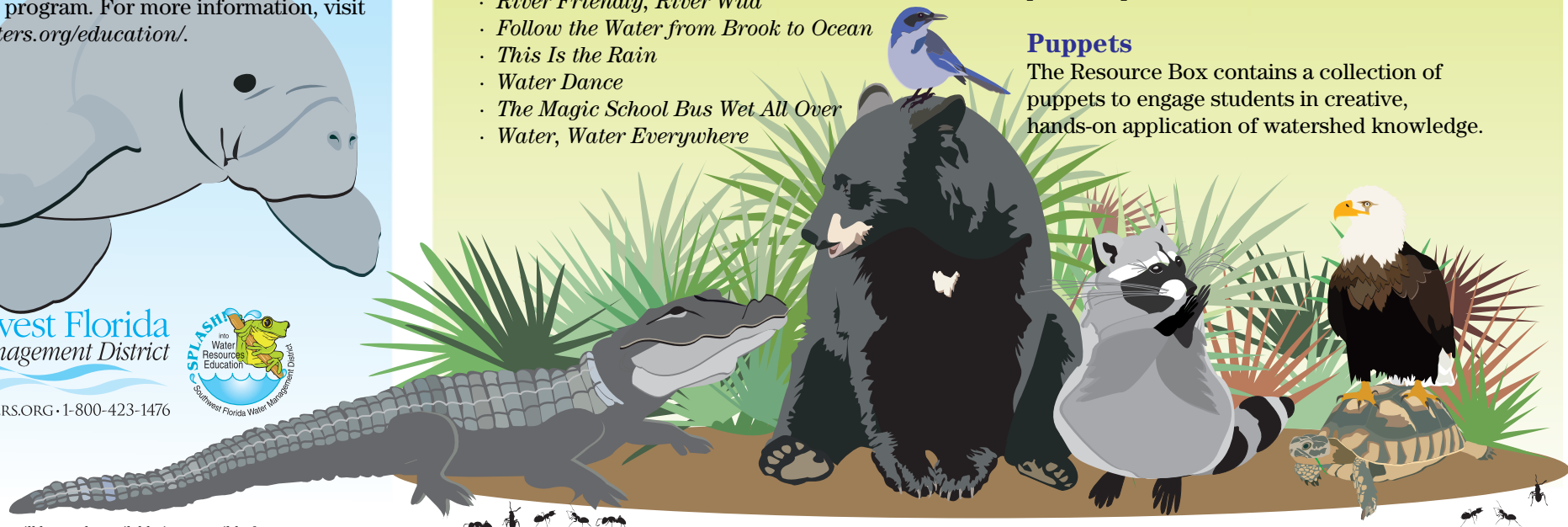
- *Swamp*
- *Pond*
- *Woods*
- *Backyards*
- *Marshes and Swamps*
- *Swamp Life Sticker Activity Book*
- *Animals & Habitats – On Land, Ponds & Rivers, Oceans*

Watershed Education Materials

The K-3 Watershed Resource Box includes materials and supplies students need to perform simple science experiments as described in the teacher's curriculum guide, such as hand magnifiers, thermometers, measuring cups, spray bottles and plastic cups.

Puppets

The Resource Box contains a collection of puppets to engage students in creative, hands-on application of watershed knowledge.



For additional information, suggestions or questions regarding the K-3 Watershed Resource Box, please contact the Communications Department of the Southwest Florida Water Management District at 1-800-423-1476, ext. 4757, or email us at WaterEducation@WaterMatters.org.