



Environmental Fair

**Hosted and Supported by the SW MN Association of
Conservation Districts**

The *Environmental Fair* is an event that takes place in September for the 6th grade students in our region.

The SWCD's have hosted this event since 1992 for our area schools. The goal of the "Fair" is to promote and awareness of the need and value in protecting and the wise use of our natural resources.

The students attend many sessions that last from 30 to 50 minutes on various environmental subjects. As much as possible the students are included in "hands on" activities that spur their interest and awareness.

Presenters include the Science Museum of MN, the MN Zoo and Prairie Winds Zoo as well as the MN Extension Service, MN Dept of Natural Resources, the US Fish & Wildlife, Watershed Districts, SWCD staff, and others. These presenters are so pleased with the event and the student enthusiasm that they request to be included in the next years.

Topics include: Trees, soils, water quality, wetlands, native prairie, watersheds, stewards and reptiles.

The event is held in Madison, MN, Slayton, MN; Worthington, MN; and every other year in Marshall, MN. *The Marshall event will draw over 2700 students over a two day event. The other locations average 1200+.*

The Environmental Fair has received State awards for this event.

For more information contact our office at: 507-537-0396

