

Konza Prairie Biological Station Konza Environmental Education Program 2022

PRAIRIE WEEK CURRICULUM

Note to Teachers

Welcome to the new PRAIRIE WEEK CURRICULUM developed by the Konza Environmental Education Program (KEEP). This week-long set of material is designed to introduce your students to the prairie. You may use this material as a stand-alone lesson or pair it with a visit to the prairie through KEEP. If you would like to schedule a visit to the prairie with us, either call (785) 587-0381 or email us at Keeped@ksu.edu

Audience: K-4

Material Provided: A PowerPoint presentation, student worksheet, and teacher's guide for

each day

Material Needed: Photocopies of Student Worksheet for each day. Crayons or colored

pencils.

Time Requirements: 30 – 45 minutes per lesson. You may spend more or less time per lesson

depending on how many questions you want to ask or how deep into the

topic you wish to go.

Adaptability: You may adapt the lessons and the PowerPoints in any way you wish. This

material is available for you to modify.

Sequence: The sequence is set up in the following order – BUT – you can alter it in any way

you see fit.

Day 1: The Prairie! – introduction

Day 2: Bison on the Prairie!

Day 3: Grasses of the Prairie: They Rule!!!

Day 4: Fire on the Prairie! – role of fire on the prairie

Day 5: How Rocks Saved the Tallgrass Prairie

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