

Sample Letter to invite a local conservationist group to speak to your class

Dear _____,

The children in the 2nd grade class at _____ Elementary School in _____ are learning to be caring and compassionate citizens through an intensive Lucky Dog - Humane Education Program. The Lucky Dog curriculum focuses on kindness, respect, compassion and commitment to both people and animals. Research has shown that teaching young children from an early age to participate in community service and empathize with others can greatly reduce the risk of developing bully like characteristics.

This month's lesson begins with the book Make Way for Ducklings by Robert McCloskey. The book helps teach the importance of respecting our community wildlife or "urban wildlife" such as ducks, squirrels, birds, and opossums. The lesson focuses on being a responsible citizen, keeping our community clean, keeping a safe and respectful distance from wildlife, and speaking up if you see cruelty or disrespect. We will be taking a respectful wildlife walk, and following writing prompts to write about what respect means to us.

Our class is graciously inviting one of your conservationists to speak to our class. Your expertise will greatly expand our learning and help build the foundations of respect and responsibility for our local wildlife and beyond.

The kids and I look forward to hearing from you. You can contact me at (email) or (phone number)

Thank you for being a big part of our journey to become compassionate and responsible citizens.

Sincerely,