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AREA THIRD GRADERS TO VISIT WESTERN

St. Joseph, Mo. — Nov. 7, 2003—The Missouri Western State College center for multicultural education and residence council are teaming up on Nov. 12 to treat area third graders to a morning of learning about nature at the Missouri Department of Conservation on campus.

Thirty third graders from the Buchanan County R-IV School District, Rushville Elementary will arrive at Western at 9 a.m. and take a nature hike with 10 to 15 Western students and naturalist LuAnn Cadden. Cadden will explain to the third graders about forest fires and natural habitats while they collect leaves, sticks and other items for an art project. Cadden will also give the elementary students a tour of the conservation department. The Rushville and Western students will make caramel nut apples together with supplies provided by residence council.

“We’re really trying to get more connected with the community,” said Angie Smith, intern for the center of multicultural education. “A good way to start is with the schools.”

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Missouri Western State College is a four-year public institution providing a blend of traditional liberal arts and professional degree programs. The college offers student-centered, high quality instruction that focuses on experience-based learning, community service, and state-of-the-art technology. Western is located in St. Joseph, Mo. and is committed to the educational, economic, cultural and social development of the region it serves.