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## earth wellness festival! A Splashing Success!



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Rain, rain and more rain! But the students and teachers that attended **earth wellness festival** 2000 at Southeast Community College didn't care. In its sixth year, the festival proved to be a great success. Students made recycled paper, touched frogs and snakes, learned how to compost with worms and how their lifestyles impact air quality. They made magnets out of soybeans, tested different kinds of water, played environmental games ... and had fun.

Mayor Don Wesley proclaimed March 23, 2000 as **earth wellness festival** Day and

congratulated the Steering Committee, the presenters and volunteers for a job well done. He urged citizens throughout Lincoln to recognize the importance of this event. Youth learned to recognize the relationships and interdependency of land, water, air and living resources through hands-on learning opportunities. Students were able to identify how they impact our planet, then determine steps of action to enrich our environment.

Accolades to all presenters, volunteers and the **earth**

**wellness festival** Steering Committee for the work you do. Thanks to donors, those who provide in-kind services and especially, to Southeast Community College for allowing us to use their facility for this important adventure.

It's always a pleasure to see so many people, organizations and businesses continue their interest and support of **earth wellness festival**. It truly is a community happening. See you next year on Thursday, March 22, 2001!



Chris Sayre sings earth awareness songs.



Storyteller Matt Jones tells about the lifestyles of his tribe.



Look at these microorganisms in biosolids. Wow!



Students participated in a snail circus. Neat!



Used paper is recycled into a new piece!



Turtles are cool!

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