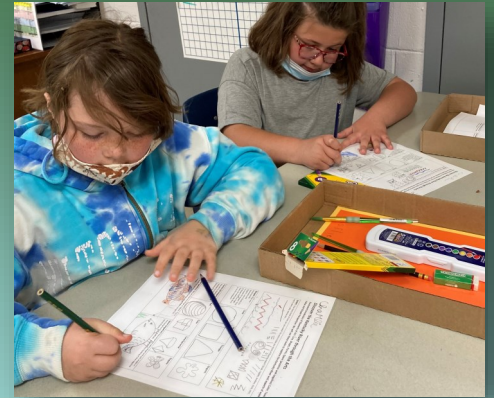



The Kentucky Arts Council and the Kentucky River Authority
Awarded the KORE Academy
a Teaching Art Together Grant
with teacher, Roberta Hounshell,
and artist and Kentucky Riverkeeper, Pat Banks

KORE Academy students worked with Roberta Hounshell, teacher, Pat Banks, artist . to create the 2021 River sweep T-Shirt! See the final design submitted to the printer. The students had an in depth experience from the presentation of the geological origins of the Kentucky River watershed and a brief history of the development of flora and fauna of the region. They received a map of the Kentucky River watershed and an artist rendering of the map with creatures great and small, from the watershed incorporated into the design.

Students practiced their drawing skills and learned some watercolor techniques while studying the Rainbow Darter. The lettering was designed by the students and three rainbow darter watercolors were chosen for the spring 2021 River Sweep t-shirt design. The judges for the project was Sue Northern and the Kentucky River Authority Board. See the design below!



KORE students at work!

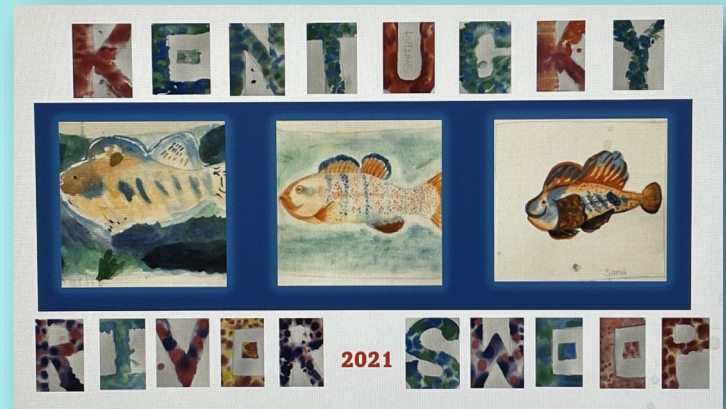


The Geological History of the Kentucky River

The Kentucky River snakes through the Commonwealth of Kentucky starting at the headwaters of its three forks North, Middle and South Fork in south eastern Kentucky. They converge at Beattyville then winds for about 260 miles from the convergence. Then flows north to its mouth at Carrolton, Ky, where it flows into the Ohio River.

The Kentucky River meanders through the coal mining regions of the Cumberland Mountains, the Daniel Boone National Forest, past Boonesborough and through the Palisades and the Bluegrass Region of the state.

This is a bird's eye view! Beautiful!



2021 Kentucky River Sweep T-Shirt Design!

About the Curriculum Project

Riverkeeper, Pat Banks, and board member Roberta Hounshell are developing a school curriculum designed to help students develop an understanding of the Kentucky River. The main goal of the curriculum is for students to become excited to be a part of their environment and their world. They were awarded a grant by the Kentucky River Authority.

KRK and the Kentucky River Authority want to work with teachers and students to look at Kentucky River watershed through the lens of the Kentucky Core Curriculum arts and science principles while cultivating stewardship and responsibility. Students learn best when they can explore a subject from multiple disciplines and media. The lesson plans serve starting places for integrating science, history, art, writing, language arts, and culture while discovering the Kentucky River Watershed. Key components include encouraging conservation and recreation.

Two of the lesson plans are complete while work continues on eight or ten more. KRK is excited about the curriculum! The completed plans are getting rave reviews from folks that have been allowed a sneak peek. Stay tuned for more to come about this innovative project.