Backyard Birding
S.IP.05.11 Generate scientific questions based on observations, investigations, and research.
S.IP.05.12 Design and conduct scientific investigations.
S.IP.05.16 Identify patterns in data.
S.IA.05.13 Communicate and defend findings of observations and investigations using evidence.
S.RS.05.17 Describe the effect humans and other organisms have on the balance in the natural world.
L.OL.05.41 Identify the general purpose of selected animal systems (digestive, circulatory, respiratory, skeletal, muscular, nervous, excretory, and reproductive).
L.OL.05.42 Explain how animal systems (digestive, circulatory, respiratory, skeletal, muscular, nervous, excretory, and reproductive) work together to perform selected activities.
L.HE.05.11 Explain that the traits of an individual are influenced by both the environment and the genetics of the individual.
L.EV.05.11 Explain how behavioral characteristics (adaptation, instinct, learning, habit) of animals help them to survive in their environment.
L.EV.05.12 Describe the physical characteristics (traits) of organisms that help them survive in their environment.
L.EV.05.21 Relate degree of similarity in anatomical features to the classification of contemporary organisms.

Great Lakes Adventure
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- **5-LS2-1** Develop a model to describe the movement of matter among plants, animals, decomposers, and the environment.

**ESS3.C:** Human Impacts on Earth Systems: Human activities in agriculture, industry, and everyday life have had major effects on the land, vegetation, streams, ocean, air and even outer space. But individuals and communities are doing things to help protect Earth’s resources and environments.

- **5-ESS3-1** Obtain and combine information about ways individual communities use science ideas to protect the Earth’s resources and environment.

- **5-ESS3-1** Science findings are limited to questions that can be answered with empirical evidence

**PS3.D:** Energy in Chemical Processes and Everyday Life—The energy released (from) food was once energy from the sun that was captured by plants in the chemical process that forms plant matter (from air and water).

**W.5.8** Recall relevant information from experiences or gather relevant information from print and digital sources; summarize or paraphrase information in notes and finished work, and provide a list of sources.

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# Great Lakes Food Web

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# Michigan through the Ages

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