

Taylorsville Pond Study Spring 2012

We are fourth graders from Taylorsville Elementary School with about 600+ students pre-K through 6th grade near Columbus, Indiana. We have 26 students in our class, and we worked in groups of two or three students. The pond water sample was collected on May 8 and came from 2 local farms. We found the following:

cyclops 3

water fleas - too many to count

midgefly larva 6

worms 9

insect larva 5

water beetles 6

water boatman 2

snails 4

water spider 3

water strider 1

caddis fly 1

mosquito larva 37 (too many to count really)!

common stream non-insect invertebrate - 1

Except for one student, our hypothesis is that we will find different macroinvertebrates than ponds in other locations around North America and the world.