



Welcome to the State of New Hampshire's Tickborne Disease Prevention Lending Library for elementary-aged school children!

These lending libraries are meant to provide a hands-on activity that is age-appropriate for students to think and learn about ticks and tickborne disease prevention. In addition to the hands-on activities provided in a small bin, there are more academically-focused lessons contained within our curriculum kits.

In the bin you will find:

- 1) A stuffed animal for your students to perform a tick check on
- 2) Activity books for them to complete either in the classroom or at home
- 3) Tick identification cards and tick removal spoons for the kids to keep
- 4) Tick specimens and magnifying glasses to view them with
- 5) Posters for you to use in your classroom/school with artwork by an elementary-aged child
- 6) A felt board for a tick habitat activity
- 7) A "build your own" tick activity
- 8) The story book [Lyme in Rhyme](#) by Gerry Rodda (coming soon – these are on order)
- 9) A binder containing the curriculum kits for elementary-aged school children

The subsequent sections of this binder contain the set of curricula we have developed for elementary-aged students. We encourage you to use the pieces of the curriculum kits that fit in your current activities in the classroom, or as a fun alternative activity. The kits have been designed so that you will be able to use one lesson at a time, or all consecutively. The contents of the curricula are:

- 1) Tickborne Disease Curriculum Kit Teacher's Guide
- 2) Tickborne Disease Curriculum Kit Grades K-1
- 3) Tickborne Disease Curriculum Kit Grades 2-3
- 4) Tickborne Disease Curriculum Kit Grades 4-5
- 5) Tickborne Disease Lesson Plan Feedback Questionnaires

When you have a moment to provide feedback about the lending library and/or the curriculum kits, please do so. The information you provide will help us improve the materials we are providing for the children of New Hampshire. We look forward to partnering with you in the education of New Hampshire's most valuable resource – our children.

Please contact us at [vectorborneNH@dhhs.nh.gov](mailto:vectorborneNH@dhhs.nh.gov) with any questions, to request a loan, or if you have feedback to provide.

Thank you and be tick safe,

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