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I attended Conservation Field Day at Emerson Park on September 18th. I will be writing about the water fowl station. Three things that I learned at the water fowl station are Dabbling ducks, Diving ducks, and there habitats which is the wetlands.

The first fact that I learned is that some ducks are called dabbling ducks. Dabbling ducks do not dive all the way under to get their food, they only dip their heads under the water. Some examples of Dabbling ducks are the Mallard and Gadwall ducks . The mallard can get farther down in the water then most of the dabbling ducks. The Mallards also are not native to America, they are native to Eurasia. The Gadwall ducks population is declining. People think its declining because Mallards and Gadwalls can breed and the Mallards might be fighting off male Gadwalls for female Gadwalls. These are some facts about dabbling ducks.

The second fact that I have is about diving ducks. Diving ducks dive down under the water to get their food. An example of a diving duck is a red head duck. Redhead ducks will lay there eggs in other birds nest so they don't have to raise their young. One other example of a diving duck is a bufflehead. Bufflehead ducks are the smallest diving duck. They also look for small holes to nest in. These are some facts about diving ducks.

The last fact that I have is about the ducks habitats. There habitats are wetland areas. The wetlands are a good place for ducks because there are many other animals. Including stuff that they eat. The wetlands also keep make water clean. They also stop floods from happening because they soak up extra water. These are some facts about wetlands.

I loved attending Field day at Emerson park. I learned so much about many animals. The most important thing that I learned at Conservation Field Day is that wetlands are very important to our environment. That is why wetlands and ducks are important. This helped me learn so much about my environment.