

District 4 third graders learn about crayfish

Addison School District 4's third grade classes welcomed crayfish into their classrooms this week to help students learn about animal life cycles. The crayfish are part of the science

curriculum, which allows students to have hands-on experience handling and observing the animals' structures, functions, and behaviors.

The crayfish will be in the class-

rooms for the next two months. Not only do the students get the opportunity to observe the crayfish as they grow, but they will also learn about the environmental impact that can occur

if living organisms used in classroom lessons are released into the wild. The students will learn about the negative effects an invasive species, like the resilient crayfish, can have on aquatic

habitats and native species.

Addison's classroom crayfish will be released to the Cosley Zoo in Wheaton when the science unit is completed.

