

## Portage Elementary Students Explore ‘Penn’s Woods,’ Sustainable Forestry with Pennsylvania WoodMobile



3rd Grade students at Portage Area Elementary School learned why Pennsylvania is named “Penn’s Woods” through lessons and activities hosted in the Pennsylvania WoodMobile that visited the school on Monday, September 11, 2017.

An outreach tool of the Pennsylvania Hardwoods Development Council, the new WoodMobile educates the public about Pennsylvania’s forests and sustainable forest management – securing the wood products we need today while protecting the trees of tomorrow. The mobile classroom uses interactive activities and

displays to promote the responsible use of forest resources and an understanding of the forest industry to the public.

“The WoodMobile is an outstanding educational resource,” said Wayne Bender, Hardwood Development Specialist with the council. “Our timber industry is doing great things today to secure our forest resources for decades to come. It’s important that we teach our youth about responsible use of environmental resources.”

