What is a Pollinator?

A pollinator moves pollen from one flower to another.

Can you see the pollen grains on this hoverfly?
When pollen is moved from one flower to another, the fruit of the plant begins to grow! What do you think grows inside the apple?
Seeds!

Seeds can grow into new plants.

Can you pretend to grow like a plant?

Start as a seed, set roots, and sprout!
Who is a pollinator?

Pollinators come in many different shapes and sizes. Most pollinators are insects.

Can you name an insect?

Clearwing Sphinx Moth
What do pollinators look like?

Golden Digger Wasp
Pollinators can be fuzzy like bumblebees.
Pollinators can be feathered like hummingbirds.
Pollinators can glow like fireflies.
Pollinators can be shiny like digger wasps.
Pollinators can be striped like some butterflies.
Pollinators can be spotted like ladybugs.
Using your senses, see **WHO** and **WHAT** you can find in the Pollinator Garden!

Stay on the path and look, listen, smell, and gently touch, but please, don't pick. Our flowers are for the pollinators!
A drop of dew on a leaf or flower.
Can you hear a buzzing bee?

A buzzing bumblebee.
Can you smell a fragrant flower?

A sweet smelling flower.
Can you feel a fuzzy leaf?

A soft or fuzzy plant.
A flower that makes you feel happy.
Thanks for visiting our Pollinator Garden!

We hope you come back soon.
Pollinators are essential to the health of our natural ecosystems and the agricultural economy worldwide. It is estimated that one out of every three bites of food we eat exists because of pollinators like bees, flies, beetles, butterflies, birds and bats.

Populations of many pollinator species are in decline due to habitat loss and misuse of pesticides.

Protecting, enhancing, or providing habitats are some of the best ways to conserve pollinators.

To find out how you can help, please visit our website and consider incorporating native plants into your own yard and garden.