The CKWRI Education & Outreach program has 5 loaner trunks available for use within GK-12 classrooms and environmental education organizations. Each trunk will come with all of the materials necessary to conduct the lesson along with a binder which includes all 5 lessons and their corresponding worksheets. The activities cover wildlife techniques and research in the area of bird conservation. The lessons are as follows:

1. The Basics of Birding
   Identify common South Texas birds by using field marks.

2. Be a Bird Biologist!
   Learn the technique of mist-netting used by ornithologists.

3. Citizen Science for South Texas Birds
   Using bird sighting data collected from a previous lesson, learn how to enter data into an online database as a citizen science opportunity.

4. Early bird catches the WORM??
   Age quail and identify internal parasites (worms) commonly found in quail.

5. Buildings, Rivers, & Roads
   Create your own classification/land cover map to identify potential environmental barriers to quail dispersal and movement.

**Materials included in each trunk:**

- Binoculars x5 or 4
- Guide to Birdwatching & South Texas Wintering Birds x6 or 5
- Young Birder’s Guide x2
- Colored Pencils (Class Set) x1
- “The Basics of Birding” Worksheets x20
- Artificial Birds x10 or 9
Bird Conservation Curriculum Kit

- Cloth Bags x5 or 4
- Rulers x6
- Bird ID Guide (Printouts) x7
- Colored zip-ties* x1 bag
- Net x1
- Scale x1
- Bird Banding Notes (Printouts) x20
- Twine
- Quail Wings x20
- Adult & Juvi ID cards x14
- Microscope Slides x15 or 12

*RETURN EXTRAS

- Cover Slips*
- Internal Worms ID Guide x7
- “Bird Anatomy” Printouts x7
- Worm jar (x1) & vials (x2)
- Forceps x4
- Droppers x8 or 7
- Aerial Photos (Printouts) x20
- 8.5”x11” Transparency Film x20
- Whiteboard Markers x30
- “Barriers to Bird Movement” Worksheets x20

To request a loaner trunk, please contact the program coordinator, Janel Ortiz at TAMUKBirdsGK12@gmail.com or Wildlife Education Specialist, Dr. April Conkey at april.conkey@tamuk.edu or 361-593-3715. Please have the following information available: your name, school/organization affiliation, grade level(s), approximate number of students participating, contact email & number, preferred timeframe for use of trunk (include alternative timeframes), if pick-up from Texas A&M University-Kingsville is possible, and whether you would like to participate in a curriculum training workshop and the evaluation of the curriculum.