

Iowa Children's Water Festival - 2005

In 1996, the Des Moines Water Works began the Iowa Children's Water Festival and soon after, the Iowa Association of Water Agencies (IAWA) was chosen as the permanent home for the Water Festival. The free, one-day event is in May each year and located on the campus of Des Moines Area Community College in Ankeny, Iowa. The program is led by volunteers and many other support committees.



FOX Engineering employees volunteer each year to be class escorts and our own Carla Schumacher has been involved with the festival for the past 8 years and in 2001 became the Chair of Volunteer Committee.

Approximately 2000 fifth graders from across Iowa participate each year to heighten their awareness on the importance of our most valuable resource – water. The students have fun learning about water and are exposed to adult role models in water-related and environmental fields and volunteerism. Adopting the Water Festival concept is, without a doubt, the most effective way to provide an exciting educational opportunity for children.

