

School-to-Nature

Blue Stemmed Goldenrod



- Bluestem Goldenrod is a Wisconsin Endangered wildflower. It is found in the hardwood forests remaining along Lake Michigan, including **Tabor Woods**. It is also called Wreath Goldenrod because of its vine-like (rather than upright) growth. Look for it in partly sunny areas.
- Blooming occurs late August through late September. Watch for the blue-ish stem, small yellow flower clusters, and long, alternating leaves. Each stem grows 1-3 feet long.
- The nectar and pollen of the flowers attracts a wide variety of insects such as bees, wasps, flies, caterpillars and beetles. The seeds are eaten by the Indigo Bunting, Slate-Colored Junco, Tree Sparrow and other songbirds. White-Tailed Deer feed on the foliage.
- Because it is endangered, it needs to remain in its original, safe environment.

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