

Co-operation Network Making between University and Regional community through the Map Work Exhibition

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This study arranged present state and problems of the map work exhibition for children carried out by Rissho Univ. Faculty of Geo-environmental Science cooperating with Saitama Prefecture. The name of the map work exhibition is called 'Sainokuni Environmental Map Contest', and it is carried out since 2002. In the management of the map work exhibition, the following have also participated: Rissho Univ. faculties, staff member of Saitama Prefecture, staff member of board of education, and teachers of the present post. For this map work exhibition, the following are also supported: Geographical Survey Inst., Assoc. of Japanese Geographers, Japan Cartographers Assoc., Japan map center. Map work exhibition which we carried out started, and 5 years passed. Subscription work number to the map work exhibition also smoothly increases. The work that children investigated and mapped the state of neighbor environment and aspects tends to increase. We encourage family and the investigation which the friend cooperatively does and mapping, and the map work exhibition will be continued in future too.