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A NEWSLETTER FOR ALL THINGS
ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION

Falling for Environmental Education: Our First Autumn Edition!

Fall 2024

Welcome to the first edition of EnviroEd, the Office of Environmental Education's quarterly (for now) newsletter. Our goal is to connect Virginia's environmental education community by sharing updates, resources, funding opportunities, and a bit of joy. Stay tuned for updates and feel free to share with friends!

Got this from a friend? Sign up [here](#) to get the newsletter straight to your inbox!

Happenings Hub

Check out our new calendar to stay up-to-date on upcoming professional development, field trips, events, conferences, and more in the environmental education world! We're working to make this the hub for all things EE in the state!

SHARE WITH US!

Got an event, resource, or funding opportunity you want to share with the EE world? We want to hear about it! Fill out this form and let's get your info into our next newsletter.



Tea with EE

Grab your favorite cup and join us for a quick rundown of this month's *EnviroEd* highlights! In just 180 seconds, we'll cover all the essentials. It's the perfect sip-sized summary to keep you in the loop with everything happening in Virginia's environmental education community!

Call to Action



INTERACTIVE SOURCE FOR ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION IN VIRGINIA

Help Shape EE with Our New Tool!

We're calling on providers to help us create a comprehensive resource map for educators. Phase 1 of this exciting project will make it easier to access, collaborate on, and visualize environmental education opportunities statewide, pinpoint gaps, and promote stewardship—plus generate invaluable data!

We'll even help you fill out your information. Let's build this together!

[Discover more and hop on the map!](#)

Funding Finds

- Virginia Department of Education is offering up to \$15,000 in incentives to recruit and retain STEM teachers in high-need schools; applications are [due by December 6, 2024.](#)
- The Chesapeake Bay Trust's Environmental Education Grant Program is open for applications, offering up to \$40,000 for projects across Maryland to support environmental literacy and MWEE implementation; applications are [due by December 12, 2024.](#)
- The Office of Environmental Education will open its \$250,000 Meaningful Watershed Educational Experience (MWEE) grant this December, with applications [due in March, 2025.](#)

Resource Spotlight

Job Portal

Did you know the Virginia Association of Environmental Education (VAEE) has an awesome job portal filled with opportunities in environmental education? Whether you're looking to dive into a meaningful EE career or take your next big step, this is the place to start! And if you're hiring, consider posting your jobs here too to reach passionate, qualified candidates!

Check it out: [VAEE Job Portal](#)

EnviroScape® Rent-for-Free

The Virginia Lakes and Watersheds Association (VLWA) offers free EnviroScape® Wetland Models for local STEM programs to borrow, providing an interactive way to teach K-12

students about environmental issues like watersheds, erosion, and recycling; to request a model, educators can contact [Kayode Aransiola](#).



EnviroLearn: A New Hands-On Professional Learning Series for Educators!

Attention private, public, and homeschool educators! Don't miss Healthy Waters—the kickoff to our **NO-COST** EnviroLearn series. Dive into this immersive experience with hands-on learning and valuable connections.

[Discover more by clicking the icon.](#)
[Spots are limited—apply now using the link!](#)

Keep exploring, keep learning, and keep inspiring.



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