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Environmental Education*

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Our Mission: DAEE promotes environmental and outdoor education to facilitate positive community impact on the conservation and sustainability of Delaware's resources.

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**Nominations for the 2021 DAEE
Awards for Excellence in
Environmental Education
are now open!**



**The deadline for submission is Saturday,
January 15, 2022.**

The Awards for Excellence in Environmental Education are presented annually to recognize and celebrate individuals or groups in Delaware who represent the very best of what environmental education can be and do, ensuring Delaware citizens develop an understanding of the natural world that inspires them to act responsibly moving us toward a more sustainable future.

Awardees will be recognized at our Annual Conference.
More information on the Awards program, including the application and past awardees can be found on our website: <https://daeeonline.org/awards-for-excellence/>.

Awards for Excellence Categories

- **Exemplary Partnership Award:** This award is presented to a group working in Delaware that demonstrate an outstanding partnership in the environmental

field that serves as a model and inspiration to others. Delaware Children in Nature partners, DAEE members and other community groups working together to connect families with meaningful experiences outdoors and healthy lifestyles can amplify their positive effects.

- **Meaningful Impact Award:** This award recognizes accomplishments toward facilitating positive community impacts on conservation, sustainability, and / or career advancement in the environmental field in Delaware.
- **Healthy Innovation Award:** This award recognizes new approaches to connecting children, individuals, and/or families with the outdoors and healthy lifestyles in Delaware.
- **Outstanding Field Educator:** This award is presented to an individual and/or organization working in Delaware who demonstrates outstanding environmental education efforts at the local, regional level and/or global level.

Be on the lookout for updates on the following DAEE happenings:

- 2022 Annual Conference & Workshops offerings
- 2022 Mini-grant RFP

DAEE in the News!

Read about DAEE's exciting collaboration with Delaware Sea Grant, the Delaware Department of Education, the Delaware Nature Society, the Stroud Water Research Center and the Delaware Foundation for Science and Mathematics Foundation!

Delaware Schools to Boost Environmental Curricula

Calling Educator Experiences

The GLOBE Program in partnership with the USDA Forest Service is looking for K-12 pre- and in-service educators to write a blog or social media post (Pinterest, Twitter thread, etc.) connecting an issue of the Natural Inquirer with GLOBE protocols and/or learning activities. These resources will be published on the GLOBE website and shared with educators in both communities. Stipends available! If interested, sign up at <https://docs.google.com/.../1FAIpQLScxb5c9p1L892.../viewform>. [The GLOBE Program](#)

Winter Workshop Series



NOAA ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE
TRAINING CENTER

WINTER WORKSHOP SERIES

APPLYING EDUCATION RESEARCH

December 14, 2021, 1-4:30 pm EST

Explore current environmental education research and discuss how to use it in program planning and conversations with school system decision makers.

MWEE FACILITATOR TRAINING

January 12 & 26, February 9 & 23, March 9, 2022, 9-11 am EST
Attendance at all 5 sessions is encouraged

Start planning your next training by learning of resources and best practices for effective MWEE professional development.

CONSERVATION AND CLIMATE

January 20, 2022, 1-4 pm EST

Learn how conservation projects are designed using climate change data, Indigenous knowledge, and community needs.

EXTREME WEATHER AND RESILIENCE

March 3, 2022, 1-4 pm EST

Discover how responses to extreme weather events can support increased community and ecosystem resilience.

MWEE PRACTITIONER SERIES

December 3 & 17, 2021
January 14 & 28, February 11, 2022
Attend what you can, sessions are Fridays, 1-2 pm EST

Join us for lightly facilitated conversations around each of the NAAEE Community Engagement Guidelines for Excellence, specifically in relation to how organizations can employ these in the context of MWEE programs.

ALL WORKSHOPS ARE VIRTUAL AND FREE

REGISTER AND LEARN MORE



<https://bit.ly/3C5nUQR>

FY22 Funding Opportunities

The NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office is announcing the availability of approximately \$1.35 million in funding for new NOAA Chesapeake Bay-Watershed Education and Training (B-WET) grants through two funding opportunities. Projects supported by these funding opportunities will support school districts efforts to deliver Meaningful Watershed Educational Experiences (MWEEs) to students, help school districts increase their capacity to facilitate environmental education, and advance statewide environmental literacy initiatives. NOAA supports environmental education because students who take part in inquiry-based, hands-on learning about their environment are better

equipped to care for our ecosystem now and in the future.

FY22 Funding Opportunities:

- [School District MWEE Programming](#)
Funding will support projects to help school districts deliver MWEEs to students or to increase school districts' capacity to deliver environmental education. We anticipate at least \$900,000 in total funding to support 9-14 new projects.
- [Statewide Capacity Building](#)
Funding will support statewide or multi-state environmental literacy capacity building initiatives. We anticipate \$450,000 to support 4-6 new awards.

Applications are due March 3, 2022.



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