# THE ABC'S OF ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION





This booklet is designed to serve as a resource to educators as well as students, researchers, community leaders, parents and anyone else interested in the field of environmental education, or EE. It is not meant as a step-by-step guide on how to create an entire EE program, although you will find tips about making lesson plans and curricula on pages 10-12. Instead, this publication should be an easy way to find Web pages, resources, contacts and information related to environmental education as envisioned by U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. The 1990 National Environmental Education Act directs federal agencies to play a strong role in increasing the public's environmental literacy through education. The act also encourages agencies to form partnerships with local, state and private institutions. This booklet contains environmental education information specific to the six Great Lakes states that form EPA Region 5: Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Ohio and Wisconsin, but anyone interested in EE will find this material useful. Finally, in the back of the booklet you will find telephone numbers and mailing addresses.

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# **The Vision of Environmental Education**

While environmental education as a distinct field did not emerge until the late 1960s, it traces its roots back to the turn of the 20th century with the emergence of three educational movements whose influences are still felt today — nature study, conservation education and outdoor education. Their impact on the environmental field can be seen in the outdoor classrooms, nature trails and wilderness experiences that are often components of current environmental education curriculum. Over the past three decades, however, the limited definition of outdoor education gave way to the much broader field of environmental education, often abbreviated as EE.

This new field places a special emphasis on the social dimensions of environmental problems. Its focus is on creating a population that possesses the awareness, attitudes, knowledge, skills and motivation needed to address these problems. EE enhances critical thinking, problem-solving, and effective decision-making skills and teaches individuals to weigh various sides of an environmental issue to make informed and responsible decisions. What environmental education does not do is advocate a particular viewpoint or course of action.

Since its inception in 1970, EPA has been involved in environmental education, but the field took on new emphasis with the passage of the National Environmental Education Act of 1990. The act mandated EE programs and led to the establishment of EPA's national environmental education program located in the Agency's headquarters.



Students from the Chicago area use mulch to plant trees during "Calumet Stewardship Day."



An environmental education instructor demonstrates soil sampling procedures.

# 2 Environmental Education at EPA

The primary mission of EPA's environmental education program is to ensure EE is a recognized and properly utilized tool for protecting human health and the environment. Along with the environmental education section within EPA Headquarters in Washington, D.C., each of the 10 EPA regional offices have their own EE programs and coordinators. The Headquarters EE office also cooperates with a number of different public/private partners:



- Environmental Advisory Board An internal EPA group that advises OEE on environmental education programming.
- Federal Task Force on Environmental Education A federal government network that consists of EPA and 15 other agencies.
- National Environmental Education Advisory Council A group of 11 environmental education experts from around the country who represent schools and universities, nonprofit organizations, states, the private sector and senior citizens.
- National Environmental Education and Training Foundation A charitable, nonprofit organization that fosters cooperation among individuals and groups from the public and private sectors. The foundation also offers free downloadable resources from its Web site: www.neetf.org/ Phone: (202) 833-2933

Small creatures taken from a creek are examined by students.

# **EE Grant Program**

Depending on EPA's annual budget, the Agency awards between \$2 million and \$3 million a year in grants for environmental education programs and projects. The deadline for applying for grant money is usually mid-November each year for awards in the following year. The grant process is usually announced in August through a solicitation notice published in the Federal Register or available online at www.epa.gov/enviroed/grants\_apply.html. You can also use the Web page to sign up for e-mail notifications of EPA's grant program. Grant awards are usually announced in late spring.

# **EPA Grant Priorities**

- building capacity to deliver EE programs
- using EE to advance tribal, state and local education reform goals
- educating the public
- educating teachers, health professionals, community leaders and the public about health threats from pollution, especially as it affects children
- promoting environmental careers

Typically, about 200 grants are awarded annually out of more than 1,000 applications received nationwide. Grants of \$50,000 or less are issued by EPA's 10 regional offices (see page 15 for contacts) while larger grants come from the EPA Office of Environmental Education (see page 2 for contacts). By far the largest number of EE grants is issued by EPA's regional offices for small grassroots projects of under \$10,000. Grants issued by Headquarters usually range between \$85,000 and \$100,000. Grant-writing tips can be viewed at www.epa. gov/enviroed/granttips.html

# Factors Considered in Awarding Grants measurable results promote environmental stewardship potential for evaluation and improvement of project environmental or educational importance of project cost-effectiveness geographic distribution of grant awards All EPA Region 5 Grants 1992-2004 Type Of Organization College/Un Local gove (county/city) Non-profit School/sch

Grant applicants or a partner organization must provide a non-federal match of at least 25 percent of the total cost of the grant project. The match may be cash or in-kind contributions such as salaries paid to staff or equipment purchased for the project.

Individual teachers are not eligible and must apply through their districts. Applicants must live in the United States, but projects and partnership organizations can be based in Canada or Mexico.

be Of Organization		Number of EE Grants	
	College/University	63	21%
	Local government agency (county/city)	35	12%
	Non-commercial broadcaster	2	1%
	Non-profit organization	141	47%
	School/school district/school board	40	13%
	State government agency	9	3%
	Tribal education or tribal non-profit organization	12	4%

### Total number of grants: 302

**Source**: EPA's Environmental Education program. Details about EPA's Environmental Education Grants Program are available at www.epa.gov/enviroed/grants.html

# 4 Region 5 Grant Awards

Here are some examples of the kinds of EE projects awarded grants over the years by EPA Region 5, which covers Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Ohio and Wisconsin.

**Twin Cities Tree Trust** — **\$5,000, St. Louis Park, Minn.** Tree Trust, an organization founded to reforest public and low-income properties ravaged with Dutch elm disease, held a two-day teacher education workshop focusing on developing and using easily accessible natural areas on or near school grounds.

**Wisconsin Wetlands Association — \$4,920, Madison, Wis.** Wisconsin Wetlands and the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources coordinated a purple loosestrife bio-control workshop for teachers. Teachers in grades 4-6 were involved in the project's goal of using existing materials to produce a set of written teaching materials on biological control of purple loosestrife.



EPA presents a \$22,700 grant to partners Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum, Chicago Academy of Sciences and Reilly Elementary School for solar energy activities as part of the "Chicago del Sol" project.

Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum, Chicago Academy of Sciences — \$22,700, Chicago, III. The Academy of Sciences created a pilot project that teaches environmental science to elementary students through the academy's partner, Reilly Elementary School, which was the first Chicago public school to install solar panels. At least four solar energy activities geared toward students in grades 4-6 were developed and posted on a Web site, and online chats with solar experts were presented.

**Campfire Heartland Council – \$5,000, Indianapolis, Ind.** The WorldWise summer program for 800 youths consisted of five units that ranged from energy cycles in nature to ecosystem concepts. In addition to learning about ecology, young people addressed community issues by designing and implementing service projects that improved or enhanced their own natural environment.

**Community Action Agency** — **\$5,000**, **Hillsdale**, **Mich**. This grant enabled some 300 middle and high school students to visit public parks along Bean Creek near their schools. Younger students wrote about an aquatic

bug of their choice while older students searched the water for macroinvertebrates. Additionally, students conducted a natural features inventory of aquatic and native plant species along Bean Creek and developed a Web page.

**Clark Center Alternative School** — **\$5,000**, **Marietta**, **Ohio**. This grant supported the second phase of the butterfly exodus project (an earlier grant of \$5,000 started a butterfly land lab). Students planned, designed and built an observation deck near an existing butterfly land lab. The deck provided students, teachers and outlying school districts with the opportunity to conduct environmental workshops. Students collaborated with teachers to plan and implement the first butterfly count.

# **EE Opportunities for Students**

EPA knows the nation's future environmental leaders and professionals will come from the ranks of today's students. The Agency offers a collection of student award programs, fellowships, internships and scholarships to encourage budding environmental stewards and innovators.

# **College Fellowships**

The National Network for Environmental Management Studies is a fellowship program that encourages college students to pursue environmental professions by conducting an environmental research project. The program awards 35-40 fellowships annually worth a total of \$500,000 - \$700,000. The application deadline is usually the middle of each January. More than 400 participating universities have been involved in NNEMS projects. Web site: www.epa.gov/enviroed/NNEMS/ or call (800) 358-8769.

# **Presidential Youth Awards**

The President's Environmental Youth Awards each year recognize young people in grades K-12 for projects that demonstrate commitment to environmental protection. Applications are made through each EPA regional office. Regional offices award each nominee a certificate and one winner from each region is honored by the president. Award winners in the past have included community and school recycling programs, construction of nature preserves, tree-planting initiatives and save-a-stream campaigns. Web site: www.epa.gov/enviroed/awards.html

# **College and Career Job Programs**

EPA offers college undergraduates summer or temporary job opportunities, while the EPA Internship Program is a two-year course for graduates who want to jump start an environmental career with full-time employment and career development. For more information about temporary or career intern



EPA Region 5 Presidential Youth Award winners meet with the president.

programs, call the EPA Office of Human Resources at (202) 564-4606 or contact the EPA regional office that covers your state.

**ECO:** The Environmental Careers Organization is a partnership of several government agencies, private organizations and businesses that have pooled their environmental internships and job listings. ECO's goal is to protect the environment through the development of diverse leaders. The organization's Web address is www.eco.org and the phone number of its national office in Boston is (617) 426-4375.

# 6 Region 5 EE Programs

EPA Region 5, based in Chicago, offers several environmental education resources anyone can use. Residents in Illinois, Indiana, Minnesota, Michigan, Ohio and Wisconsin can call toll-free (800) 621-8431 for information. Others can contact the Region 5 Hotline at (312) 353-2000, or look on the Web at www.epa.gov/region5/enved/. All other EPA regions (see page 15) offer similar opportunities, but many of Region 5's EE materials can be sent anywhere in the country.

### Publications

Nearly 50 EE publications and posters are available from the Region 5 Office of Public Affairs. Talk with the Hotline staff to obtain a list. Teachers may order materials online from the region's Web site (see above).



EPA employees can demonstrate the 3-D "Enviroscape" model to schools or groups.

### **EPA Ambassadors**

EPA professionals are available to visit your school or group in the Region 5 states and talk about environmental topics. The ambassadors can come equipped with teaching aids such as 3-D models, soil tanks and testing kits. Contact (312) 886-9506 to request an ambassadorial visit.

# **Region 5 Hotline**

The hotline maintains a collection of resources to assist people teaching about the environment. To reach the hotline you can fax (312) 353-1155, e-mail r5hotline@epa.gov or call (312) 353-2000.

EPA regional offices are organized into divisions or offices that oversee specific areas such as water, air, Superfund and hazardous waste. Many of these divisions and offices have their own environmental education offerings. Call the regional office for your state and talk with the regional EE coordinator to find out what programs might be available. Region 5 offers the following EE opportunities:



The Lake Guardian is the largest research vessel on the Great Lakes

# Great Lakes

The Great Lakes National Program Office (GLNPO) based in Chicago maintains an informational and educational Web site (www.epa.gov/greatlakes) for students of all ages. The Web site offers information about environmental quality, pollution prevention, ecosystem protection and habitat restoration programs throughout the Great Lakes region. The Great Lakes Atlas, Visualizing the Great Lakes, an extensive image collection, and Greenacres, information about landscaping with native plants, are the most popular destinations. Contact Pranas Pranckevicius at (312) 353-3437 for further information.

R/V Lake Guardian — GLNPO operates the research vessel Lake Guardian seven months out of the year. It is EPA's larest research and monitoring vessel and the largest research ship operating on the

Great Lakes. The *Lake Guardian* conducts monitoring programs that sample the water, aquatic life, sediment and air in order to assess the health of the Great Lakes ecosystem by using state-of-the-art data collection techniques and instruments during the bianual spring and summer surveys. It is also used to support research activities conducted by federal, state and local agencies and universities. GLNPO offers the *Lake Guardian* as a vessel of opportunity during the monitoring surveys to other federal, state and university scientists.

EPA periodically offers student tours of the *Lake Guardian*. Contact George Ison at (312) 353-1669 for general information about the *Lake Guardian's* operation; Glenn Warren at (312) 886-2405 for information about the ship's scientific operations; and David Rockwell at (312) 353-1373 regarding limnology educational course opportunities.

Crew members hoist a sampling rig from a lake bottom.



# Air Division The Air and Radiation Division has several programs that address air quality concerns in and around schools:

EPA's voluntary Indoor Air Quality "Tools for Schools" program (www.epa.gov/iaq/schools/tools4s2.html) provides schools with information on how to improve indoor air quality at little or no cost using common-sense activities and in-house staff. The Air Division has created fact sheets and resource guides to educate the public about asthma and indoor air quality in schools, as well as homes and office buildings. Contact Jeanette Marrero at (312) 886-6543 or Sheila Batka at (312) 886-6053 for more information.



EPA's voluntary "Clean School Bus USA" program (www.epa.gov/cleanschoolbus/) works with communities and schools to reduce students' exposure to diesel exhaust and the amount of air pollution created by school buses. This is accomplished through encouraging policies and practices to eliminate unnecessary school bus idling, retrofitting newer buses with better emission control technologies, fueling them with cleaner fuels, and replacing the oldest buses in the fleet with new, less polluting vehicles. Contact Sheila Batka (312) 886-6053 or Julie Magee (312) 886-6063 for more information.

EPA's "Sunwise" environmental and health program aims to teach people how to protect themselves from overexposure to the sun. There are classroom-based, school-based and community-based components. Contact Jeanette Marrero (312) 886-6543.

# Software for Environmental Awareness

Since 1988, Region 5 and Purdue University have worked together to develop environmental software programs that make complex environmental subjects clear and understandable. Many programs are designed to educate students and the general public about specific environmental issues. Contact Michael Bland at (312) 353-9196 for more information and a list of available CDs or check out www.epa.gov/seahome

# Children's Health

Region 5's Children's Health Workgroup partners with organizations throughout Region 5 addressing children's health issues such as lead poisoning prevention, environmental management of asthma, and promotion of safer and healthier environments in schools and child care facilities. For more information, see http://yosemite.epa.gov/ochp/ochpweb.nsf/homepage or contact Maryann Suero at (312) 886-9077.

# **Central Regional Lab**

The Central Regional Lab in Chicago offers student tours of its laboratory facilities. During a typical visit, students listen to a brief explanation of the various functions of an environmental lab and then view the facility. Students have the unique opportunity to see environmental professionals conducting various tests and experiments in a real laboratory setting. For further information, contact George Schupp at (312) 353-1226.

# Waste, Pesticides and Toxics Division

WPTD has several programs that can be used by environmental educators: The pollution prevention program has developed a curriculum designed for students in grades 6-8 that teaches them the basic concepts of pollution prevention. Contact Dolly Tong at (312) 886-1019 for further information.

The National Science Teachers Association has developed *Teach with Databases*. Using EPA's Toxics Release Inventory (TRI), the curriculum teaches students how to apply lessons learned in the classroom to real-world situations. Contact Orest Ruszczycky at (312) 886-0194 or Jonnie Wilson at (312) 886-4759 for more information.

The lead program has developed *Let's Get the Lead Out*, an educational kit designed to prevent lead poisoning in children. The kit includes a radio script, audiotape and colorful poster that can be used to teach K-8 students how to be "lead free." Contact Emma Avant at (312) 886-7899 or John Wsol at (312) 353-5685 for more information.



Copies of this poster are available from (312) 353-2000.

# 10 Getting Started with EE

You may be thinking of developing your own EE curriculum or lesson plan. There are a lot of **underutilized curricula available, though, so you should consider adapting before creating** something new. As you proceed, consider integrating the Guidelines for Excellence produced by the North American Association for Environmental Education. These guidelines — available online at http://naaee.org/pages/npeee/materials.html — will assist in creating high quality EE materials. Here's a brief outline to help you get started.

# Goal

A broad, general statement on what the lesson plan will accomplish. Formulate this by thinking of what you want your audience to learn.

# Suggested Grade Level/Subject Area

Know the audience for which you are designing your lesson plan. At what level are they academically and developmentally? Think about making your lesson interdisciplinary: make it applicable across subject areas, not just science. Environmental topics lend themselves to excellent lessons in math, social studies, reading and even art. Suggest tie-ins across the curricula.



Parents and kids learn about the environment in an outdoor classroom.

# Objectives

Specific, measurable learning outcomes. There are usually more than one of them per lesson plan and they start with "capability verbs" that range from basic comprehension (e.g., "to understand") to higher-order thinking levels (such as "to synthesize" or "to evaluate"). To formulate these, think of the skills you would like your audience to acquire. (For example: observation, identification, comparison, construction, categorization, prediction, inference, application, etc.)

Vocabulary Define key words.

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# Materials

List the materials and equipment needed to carry out the lesson plan. Don't forget to address any safety precautions.



# Time

Give a sense of the amount of time the lesson plan will take. Think in terms of 45minute periods. Remember that attention spans are short.

# Background/Instructional

Think about what a teacher would need to know before presenting the lesson plan. Anticipate questions on the topic and answer them in this section. Don't write a novel, but give enough information so the teacher will be confident.

Students look for aquatic life in Bean Creek in southern Michigan as part of a project made possible by a \$5,000 grant awarded to the Community Action Agency in Hillsdale.

# Procedure

This is the meat of the lesson plan; however, it won't be effective unless you first take the time to think through the goals and objectives of what you are trying to teach. Give an overview of the activity as well as instructions for conducting it. List the main steps of the lesson plan here sequentially. Suggest questions that will prompt the learners throughout each step. Be specific about what should take place. Because attention spans are short, try a number of different teaching strategies to keep the lessons moving (e.g., discussions, group work like cooperative learning, role-plaly, etc.). Vary components of the activity so that it will engage students with different learning styles (visual learners, auditory learners and tactile learners).



A \$1,800 EPA grant to the St. Charles (III.) Park District allowed these students to study how American Indians used natural and ecological resources.

# **Evaluation**

Assess what has been learned. Assessment should tie directly back to the lessons' objectives. You can assess student learning formally with a written test, or informally by asking questions orally. You can also suggest follow-up activities that will measure what the students learned from your lesson plan.

# **Correlation to Standards**

Tie the lesson plan to national, state or district learning standards. Teachers are obligated to address these standards. If you show them how your lesson will help them meet the standards, you have a more marketable program to offer. Again, the EE Guidelines for Excellence, naaee.org/pages/ npeee/materials.html, are also recommended.

# **Extensions**

Suggest follow-up enrichment activities that build on your objectives. Consider including suggestions that would adapt the lesson plan to a more diverse audience either academically or culturally.



Students learn about insect identification.

# Here are some suggestions on how to teach groups

- Relate directly to things that interest students
- Show how your theme affects students and their future
- Be creative and flexible to maintain interest
- Interject humor
- Use demonstrations, audio-visuals and hands-on activities
- Appeal to people's curiosity

# Hook'em from the start

- Ask open-ended questions
- Use props
- Reward good answers

# Tell your students what you plan to teach them

- Speak to people in their language: avoid acronyms and jargon
- Remember to vary your teaching strategies
- Consider group work

# Interact with your audience

- Draw on personal experiences
- Give some personal examples and tell a few stories

# Check for understanding

- Elicit comments
- Ask questions



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Lake Michigan water quality is tested by Chicago-area students.

# Web Resources

# **EPA SITES**

**EPA EE Main Site** 

Gateway to EPA's national environmental education program containing links to dozens of other sites.

www.epa.gov/enviroed

# **EPA Region 5**

EE site containing information about the Great Lakes area.



www.epa.gov/region5/enved

# **Kids**

(pre-K through 4th grade) Kids Club - projects, games, art and helpful tips.



www.epa.gov/kids/



**Students** (grades 5-8) Student Center environmental concepts, activities and tips.

www.epa.gov/students/

**High School Students** (grades 9-12) High School Environmental Center - environmental issues, topics, research.

www.epa.gov/highschool/

# **Teachers**

(for classroom and other educators) Environmental Education Center basic environmental concepts and teaching aids.



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EPA STUDENT CENTER

www.epa.gov/teachers/

Teachers

# PARTNERSHIP SITES

# **EE-Link and the North American Association** for Environmental Education

These Web sites support students, teachers and EE specialists and contain information about school projects, activities, lesson plans, awards, grants, annual conferences and many other resources including EE job opportunities.

> North American Ass for Environmental Education



# Stevens Point.

**Environmental Education Training** 

Information, resources and links promoting

environmental literacy. EETAP is a partnership

between EPA and the University of Wisconsin-

and Partnership

www.eetap.org



www.naaee.org

www.eelink.net

# 14 Region 5 State Partners

Here are some of the EE offerings available from each Region 5 state. You can also check with similar state agencies where you live to get EE materials.

### **ILLINOIS**

Environmental Education Association of Illinois www.eeai.net Lara Darling, Idarling@soltec.net (217) 442-1691

Illinois EPA www.epa.state.il.us/education.html 1021 North Grand Ave. E P.O.Box 19276 Springfield, IL 62794-9276 (217) 782-3397

### **Illinois Department of Natural Resources**

dnr.state.il.us/lands/education/ One Natural Resources Way Springfield, IL 62702 (217) 782-6302

### INDIANA

### Indiana Department of Environmental Management

www.in.gov/idem/visitors/teacher\_links.html Indiana Government Center-North 100 N. Senate Ave Indianapolis, IN 46204 (317) 232-8603

### **Environmental Education Association of Indiana**

www.goshen.edu/eeai/ c/o Krista Daniels 218 Queen St Goshen, IN 46528 (574) 875-7422

# MICHIGAN

### Michigan Department of Environmental Quality

www.michigan.gov/deq 525 W. Allegan St P.O. Box 30473 Lansing, MI 48909-7973 (517) 373-7917

## Michigan State University Extension

www.msue.msu.edu 102 Agriculture Hall East Lansing, MI 48824 (517) 355-2308

### Michigan Department of Natural Resources

www.dnr.state.mi.us/edu/DNRIntroPages/ DNRIaps.html Mason Building, Sixth Floor P.O. Box 3002 Lansing, MI 48909 (517) 373-2329 MINNESOTA

# SEEK (Sharing Environmental Education Knowledge) www.seek.state.mn.us/ 525 S. Lake Ave., Suite 400

Duluth, MN 55802 (888) 668-3224

# Minnesota Association for Environmental Education

www.naaee.org/maee/ 3815 E. 80th St Bloomington, MN 55425-1600 (952) 854-5900 - Minnesota Valley National Wildlife Refuge Office

### OHIO

### Ohio EPA

www.epa.state.oh.us/ 22 S. Front St P.O. Box 1049 Columbus, OH 43216 (614) 644-3020

# **Environmental Education Council of Ohio**

www.eeco-online.org/ P.O. Box 1004 Lancaster, OH 43130 (330) 322-3593

### WISCONSIN

# Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources

dnr.wi.gov/education/ dnr.wi.gov/org/caer/ce/eek/ 101 S. Webster St P.O. Box 7921 Madison, WI 53707-7921 (608) 266-2621

# Wisconsin Center for Environmental Education

www.uwsp.edu/cnr/wcee/ Wisconsin Environmental Education Board Web site www.uwsp.edu/cnr/weeb/ 110 College of Natural Resources University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point Stevens Point, WI 54481 (715) 346-4973

# **EPA Regional Offices**

Outside of the Washington, D.C., headquarters, EPA offices are organized into 10 regions. You can call the office located in the region where you live and ask to be connected with the regional environmental education coordinator. Most state environmental agencies offer EE programs as well. A Web page with links to all the regional sites is at www.epa.gov/epahome/whereyoulive.htm#regiontext

Contact an EE coordinator to learn about programs and opportunities in your state.

# Region 1 - CT, ME, MA, NH, RI, VT

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Region 3 - DE, DC, MD, PA, VA, WV Larry Brown, brown.larry@epa.gov EPA Region 3 1650 Arch (3C GOO) Philadelphia, PA 19103 (215) 814-5000

Region 4 - AL, FL, GA, KY, MS, NC, SC, TN Alice Chastain, chastain.alice@epa.gov Kathy Armstrong, armstrong.kathy@epa.gov EPA Region 4 61 Forsyth St. S.W. Atlanta, GA 30303 (404) 562-9900

Region 5 - IL, IN, MI, MN, OH, WI Megan Gavin, gavin.megan@epa.gov EPA Region 5 77 W. Jackson Blvd. (P-19J) Chicago, IL 60604 (312) 353-2000

Region 6 - AR, LA, NM, OK, TX Patty Senna, senna.patty@epa.gov EPA Region 6 1445 Ross Ave. (6XA) Dallas, TX 75202 (214) 665-2200

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Region 9 - AZ, CA, HI, NV, American Samoa, Guam, N. Marianas, Palau Bruce Sivils, sivils.bruce@epa.gov EPA Region 9 75 Hawthorne St. (PPA-1) San Francisco, CA 94105 (415) 947-8000

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# 16 Contacts

Here's a summary of some of the environmental education contacts mentioned in this booklet. Best wishes in your EE endeavors.

# EPA Environmental Education Program

1200 Pennsylvania Ave. N.W. (1704A) Room 1426 ARN Washington, D.C. 20460 (202) 564-0443 (EE Office) www.epa.gov/enviroed

# **Environmental Education Coordinator**

Office of Public Affairs EPA Region 5 77 W. Jackson Blvd. (P-19J) Chicago, IL 60604 (312) 353-5282 (800) 621-8431 (III., Ind., Mich., Minn., Ohio, Wis.) www.epa.gov/region5/enved/

# **Environmental Education**

Training and Partnership (EETAP) University of Wisconsin - Stevens Point College of Natural Resources Stevens Point, WI 54481 (715) 346-4958 www.eetap.org/

> A student uses a criteria checklist to record water quality in Lake Michigan.

# North American Association for Environmental Education (NAAEE) 2000 P St. N.W., Site 540 Washington D.C. 20036 (202) 419-0412 www.naaee.org

National Environmental Education and Training Foundation (NEETF) 1707 H St. N.W., Suite 900 Washington, D.C. 20006 (202) 833-2933 www.neetf.org/





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