

2003 Winter & Spring Teacher Inservice Opportunities

Engage students in learning with fun hands-on natural science lessons and activities, while addressing State Educational Benchmarks.

Oregon State University Extension Service and John Inskeep Environmental Learning Center are sponsoring three different workshop opportunities for 4-H Wildlife Stewards Volunteers, schoolteachers and educators. The goals of the workshops is to provide educators with the means to engage students in learning through scientific inquiry while addressing Oregon's Educational Standards; and to develop a greater awareness and understanding of nature and natural resource issues. Participants will receive six hours of training, teaching tools/resources, and field tested curriculum full of exciting hands-on activities for use in the classroom and informal settings. College/CEU credit is available. Workshops are presented by Oregon State University faculty.

Workshops:

Project Learning Tree (PLT): is an award winning, broad-based environmental education program fore educators of PreK – grade 12. PLT materials bring the environment into the classroom and students into the environment. Topics range from forests, wildlife, and water, to community planning, waste management and energy. Through PLT, students learn environmental content that correlates to state standards in science, social studies, language arts, math, and other subjects – and strengthen their critical thinking, team building, and problem solving skills. Using the constructivist learning approach, workshop participants work in cooperative groups to explore natural resource topics and build their own understandings of associated concepts and issues related to forest ecology and forestry practices. Participants will receive curriculum materials (including the Project Learning Tree PreK-8 Environmental Education Activity Guide with Spanish translations upon request), training, and valuable resources to use and integrate immediately in their classrooms. Workshops on more advanced 9 – 12 grade curriculum are available upon request. Cost: Free. Teacher substitute reimbursement available.

Project WILD: Appropriate for K – grade 12, Project WILD is an interdisciplinary conservation and environmental education program emphasizing wildlife and habitat. The goal of Project WILD is to assist students of all ages in developing awareness and increased understanding of issues related to wildlife and the environment. Instructional materials are designed to support state and national academic standards in science, social studies, math and language arts. Participants will receive the Project WILD Curriculum & Activity Guide, and hands-on training for its use in the classroom and informal settings. Project WILD activities are designed for integrations into existing courses of study. Cost: \$10.

Project WILD Aquatic: Similar to Project WILD. Aquatic focuses specifically on aquatic wildlife and aquatic ecosystems. Cost: \$10.

Workshop Dates, Times and Locations

January 16, 23, and 30	Project WILD series for K-6 grades	3:30 – 6:00 pm each evening Clackamas Community College
February 7	Project Learning Tree for K-8 grades	8:30 am – 3:00 pm Clackamas Community College
March 6,13, & 20	Project WILD for K-8 grades	3:30 pm – 6:00 pm Cedar Ridge Middle School, Sandy
April 5	Project WILD Aquatic for K-8 grades	9:00 am – 3:00pm Clackamas Community College
April 12	Project Learning Tree for K-8 grades	9:00 am – 3:00 pm, Hopkins Memorial Tree Farm, Molalla
April 19	Project WILD Aquatic Study for K-8 grades	9:00 am – 3:00 pm, Newell Creek Canyon, Oregon City
May 3	Project WILD for K-8 grades	9:00 am – 3:00 pm, Hopkins Memorial Tree Farm, Molalla

Individual schools and school districts may schedule a workshop at their school site on a day of their convenience if they have 15 or more interested teacher/educators. Workshops are also available for middle and high school grades upon request.

Note: a minimum of 15 participants is necessary for a workshop. Workshops with less may be cancelled in which case registrants will be notified.

To register and for more information

To register for a workshop contact Alison Heimowitz at the John Inskeep Environmental Learning Center
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