



National Environmental Education Week

A National Environmental Education Foundation Program

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Did you know...?

The ocean is connected to major lakes, watersheds and waterways because all major watersheds on Earth drain to the ocean.

Source: [The Ocean Literacy Guide](#)



See more [ocean facts](#) in English and Spanish.

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STEM in the Classroom Twitter Chat

Friday, April 15 at 1:30 p.m. Eastern

Join us on Twitter this afternoon for a live chat to discuss STEM and environmental education. National Environmental Education Foundation President Diane Wood and Samsung Senior Vice President David Steel will answer your questions and talk candidly about the current state of STEM education and the impact it has on our environment and communities. Just use the hashtag #samsungsolve to join the conversation or follow along on Twitter. [Learn more](#)

Submit to the 2011 Photo Blog Contest

We would love to hear about your EE Week and Earth Day activities! Enter the [2011 Photo Blog Contest](#) for the chance to win great prizes.

Our Program

National Environmental Education (EE) Week is the largest organized environmental education event in the United States.

EE Week connects educators with environmental resources to promote K-12 students' understanding of the environment.

Quick Links

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School Spotlight

Jaffrey Rindge Cooperative School District

Every year the students in the Gifted and Talented program in the Jaffrey Rindge Cooperative School District spend time planning projects for National Environmental Education Week. This year, in preparation for the Ocean Connections theme, Gifted and Talented Coordinator, Teresa Morris, engaged her students in a variety of ocean-related projects. Second grade students participated in the "Bold in the Cold" and "Creep Into the Deep" programs with [Whale Times](#), exchanging emails with scientists working in Antarctica and Hawaii. The students were able to virtually accompany the researchers at the Hawaii Undersea Research Laboratory when it made its 1,000th dive in the Pisces submersible. Fourth grade students made model boats out of plastic taken from school trash and fifth grade students designed coral reefs using sugar cubes.



Fourth grade students demonstrate their model boat made from discarded plastic.

For more stories, visit us [online](#).

Partner Spotlight

The Video Project

[The Video Project](#) provides educational media and documentary programming on critical global and social issues, science and health to schools and other organizations world-wide. Their titles include many environmental themes, including [Climate Change and Coral Reefs](#), a DVD kit that includes a Teacher's Guide.



For EE Week 2011, The Video Project is offering registered EE Week participants a 25 percent discount through April 30 on any title in their collection of educational media and documentary programming, including several titles on marine science and ocean issues. If you haven't already, [register](#) today to take advantage of this offer.

Featured Resource

The Encyclopedia of Earth

The [Encyclopedia of Earth](#) is an electronic reference about the Earth, its natural environments and their interaction with society. The *Encyclopedia* is a free, expert-reviewed collection of articles written by scholars, professionals, educators and experts who collaborate and review each other's work. The



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Encyclopedia also offers a [page of resources](#) specifically for educators.

2011 Planet Connect Get Green Video Contest

Show Us Your Ocean Connection!

In celebration of EE Week's 2011 theme, Planet Connect invited high school students to create a video and *show us your ocean connection*.

Students from across the country explored their own ocean connections and submitted

creative music videos, mini-documentaries and short comedies explaining the many ways we all impact the ocean. Consider sharing the winning videos with your students.



[View the Grand Prize winning videos.](#)



The National Environmental Education Foundation (NEEF) provides knowledge to trusted professionals who, with their credibility, amplify messages to national audiences to solve everyday environmental problems. Together, we generate lasting positive change.

NEEF partners with professionals in health, education, media, business and public land management to promote daily actions for helping people protect and enjoy the environment. Through our primary programs - Classroom Earth, National Public Lands Day, National Environmental Education Week, Business and Environment, Earth Gauge(r) and Health & Environment - we offer Americans knowledge to live by. To learn more, call (202) 833-2933 or visit <http://www.neefusa.org>.