



AEEA

Arkansas Environmental Education Association



Environmental Education Is a Process

- It increases people's awareness and knowledge about the environment and its associated challenges
- It develops the necessary skills and expertise to address the challenges
- It fosters the attitudes, motivation, and commitments to make informed decisions and take responsible action to help care for our communities and world



Key Components of Environmental Education

- Focuses on learners of all ages
- Encompasses many different disciplines
- Centers on the importance of experiential, interdisciplinary education
- Provides a space for all learners to develop problem-solving and decision-making skills



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Who Are Environmental Educators?



Our Mission

AEEA's mission is to promote environmental education and support the work of environmental educators in Arkansas.

Our Work

- Monthly newsletter
- Professional development workshops
- Networking events
- An environmental education conference
- Mini grants for education projects
- Awards program



Our Vision

What is our vision?



How do we get there?

Resilience

The ability to recover quickly from adversity, setbacks, or changes.

Resilience in Solid Waste Programs

- Personnel changes
- Market fluctuations
- Public perception
- New material development
- Waste stream changes
- Contamination
- Political influence



EE for Solid Waste Education

- Residents in your community need to know how to use the program
- Fosters sustainable participation - hooks them to the program and teaches them the why
- Provides a conduit for ongoing communication as your program evolves



Education Activities to Build Resiliency

- Environmental education is ongoing
- Environmental education connects the dots
- Environmental education takes lessons from the classroom to the community
- Environmental education involves problem-solving and decision making skills



Strong Solid Waste Programs





*Learning
and growing
in the
natural
state!*

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