

## Registration Now Open for Regional Environmental Literacy Workshops!

The [Maryland Partnership for Children in Nature](#) and the Maryland State Department of Education will co-host a series of regional environmental literacy workshops to discuss the effective development and implementation of county environmental literacy plans (ELPs). Anyone involved in planning, delivering or supporting school environmental literacy programs is invited to attend (county school system representatives, administrators, educators, environmental education providers, etc.). Seven workshops are planned for February and March to help school systems prepare for the April 30th ELP submission deadline. These workshops are designed to:

- **Review environmental literacy requirements, resources and process for county ELP development;**
- **Discuss elements of effective environmental literacy programs, methods & strategies to “fill in the gaps,” and share regional examples or plans;**
- **Provide an opportunity for schools and EE providers to meet and discuss partnership opportunities ( for example, helping to meet the “every student outdoors every year” goal);**
- **Provide break-out time for participants within each county to discuss ELP development and potential opportunities for further communication.**

Dates, times and locations for all meetings are noted below. **Please click on this link to register for the meetings:** <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/PB3DF82> . It is best to attend the workshop(s) that correspond to the county or counties in which you work. If you are unable to attend a meeting but would like information about your program to be shared at the meeting, please complete the registration and check the appropriate box on the form. Please register as soon as possible to assist us in planning appropriately. Thank you so much for your continued interest and efforts.

Date	Region	Location	Time
2/16/2012	<b>Northeast</b> (Harford, Cecil, Baltimore County)	Baltimore County MD Agricultural Center Cockeyville, MD	10:00a -2:00p
2/24/2012	<b>Upper E. Shore</b> (Talbot, Kent, Queen Annes, Caroline)	Chesapeake College Wye Mills, MD	9:30a – 12:30p
3/07/2012	<b>West Central</b> (Howard, Montgomery, Frederick, Carroll)	Robinson Nature Center Columbia, MD	1:00p-4:00p
3/13/2012	<b>Lower E. Shore</b> (Worcester, Wicomico, Somerset, Dorchester)	Salisbury University Salisbury, MD	1:00p – 4:00p
3/15/2012	<b>Central MD</b> (Anne Arundel, Baltimore City, Prince George's)	Patuxent National Wildlife Refuge Laurel, MD	10:00a-2:00p
3/20/2012	<b>Southern MD</b> (Calvert, Charles, St. Marys)	Calvert Marine Museum Solomons, MD	1:00p – 4:00p
3/23/2012	<b>Western</b> (Garrett, Allegany, Washington)	Frostburg University, Compton Science Ctr Frostburg, MD	10:00a – 2:00p