

Environmental Education Information Providers Directory



Environmental Education and Training
Partnership

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Introduction

The Environmental Education and Training Partnership (EETAP) is a project to serve the field of Environmental Education. EETAP was formed in 1995 through a cooperative agreement between the North American Association for Environmental Education and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. The purpose of EETAP is to provide environmental education training and related support to education professionals. Through this training, EETAP's ultimate goal is to increase the public's awareness and knowledge about environmental issues, and promoting critical thinking and other skills needed to make sound environmental decisions. EETAP is not a public education and outreach program, but is focused rather in providing training and resources to teachers, nonformal educators, state and local education and other natural resource officials, and employees of non-profit and other organizations to enable them to effectively teach students and the public to understand, analyze, and address environmental issues in their communities. Training and information provided under this program, like all quality environmental education programs, does not advocate a particular viewpoint or course of action for addressing or resolving environmental issues or problems.

In Autumn, 1996, as part of the effort to "identify, evaluate and disseminate information on good education materials, teaching methods, and programs," EETAP brought together a group of self-identified environmental education information providers for a two day session of brainstorming, discussion, and prioritizing activities. The result was a proposed plan of action for EE Information Providers focused around eight priority goals identified during the meeting.

One of these goals was the creation of alliances with other EE information providers. The first component of meeting this goal was to establish agreed upon definitions of "Environmental Information Provider" and "Environmental Education Information Provider." These definitions could then be used to identify individuals, agencies, and organizations, gather information about their resources and services, and create a directory of these providers.

EETAP desires to ensure access to quality information and resources for environmental educators in all settings. The tremendous increase of information available through the Internet has created a mechanism for vast amounts of information to be obtained on nearly any topic. For educators, the task of sorting through the information and securing appropriate information and resources can be daunting.

The EETAP Resource Library is working to assist information providers for environmental education. One effort of this collaboration is the development of this document. A need was identified by many of the EE Information Providers to knowing what groups or organizations are doing what types of activities.

The initial step in the development of this directory was an on-line Delphi study to differentiate between environmental information providers and environmental education information providers. The definitions are:

Environmental Information Provider

An Environmental Information provider is any entity that provides scientifically accurate information on any aspect of the environment. The provider may be a public, private, commercial or non-profit entity. The information may be provided in any format (written, electronic, audio-visual, etc).

Environmental Education Information Provider

An Environmental Education Information Provider compiles resources and information from a variety of sources for the purpose of providing these resources and information to users. The information may concern the processes, techniques, methodologies, history, philosophy, theories, types of funding, resources, issues, materials, or programming used for environmental education in any setting. The provider may be a public, private, commercial, or non-profit entity. The information may be provided in any format, (written, electronic, audio-visual, etc.) and is factual and objective in its presentation.

Surveys were sent to over 60 organizations asking them to self-identify as EIP's or EEIP's using the above definitions. What follows is a listing of organizations that responded with the information they provided.

This is not a final document, but is a directory in progress. Changes are expected and will be made annually based on additional information received from organizations and information providers. Any changes or information can be sent to:

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Environmental Education Information Providers Directory Summary Matrix

Name of Organization	Publications available	www access	Geared towards teachers	Geared towards students	Adult Education	National	International	Regional	Workshops/Conferences	Scholarships	800 Number	Subscription Fees	Free Access	Cost for Information	CD-ROMs available	E-Mail	Resource Center	Networks for Educators	Films/Videos Available
Center for Environmental Education	X		X	X	X	X				X		X	X						X
Center for Great Lakes Environmental Education	X	X	X	X					X				X				X	X	X
Earthlink Publishing (Australia)	X	X	X		X	X							X	X		X			X
E2: Environment & Education	X		X	X		X	X		X					X		X		X	
Ed Gateway		X		X	X	X			X			X		X					
Environmental Education Exchange	X	X	X		X		X	X	X				X			X		X	
EE-Link		X	X		X	X			X			X		X					
Eisenhower National Clearinghouse	X	X	X	X		X			X				X		X	X	X	X	
Environmental Media Corporation	X	X	X	X		X	X				X		X					X	X
ERIC Clearinghouse for Science, Mathematics and Environmental Education	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				X			X			
GLOBE	X	X	X	X			X		X				X					X	X
Institute for Global Environmental Strategies	X	X	X	X	X		X		X				X						X

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Green Brick Road	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X
Minnesota Office of Environmental Assistance/SEEK	X	X	X	X	X			X	X				X			X		X	X
National Wildlife Federation	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X		X	X	X	X		X	X	X	
North American Association for Environmental Education	X	X	X		X		X		X	X			X				X	X	X
National Environmental Directory Project	X	X	X	X	X									X	X	X			X
National Institute for the Environment	X	X	X	X	X	X	X						X						
Second Nature	X	X	X	X		X	X		X				X					X	X
U.S.EPA Office of Environmental Education	X	X	X		X	X	X		X			X	X		X				
U.S. EPA Region 10	X		X		X			X			X		X		X		X		X
World Resources Institute	X	X	X	X	X	X	X						X						X

**Center for Environmental
Education**

Center for Environmental Education
 David Sobel or Cindy Thomashow
 Antioch NE Graduate School
 40 Avon St.
 Keene, NH 03431

www.cee-ane.org

Start Date: 1989

Mission:

CEE fosters ecological literacy in K-12 rural and urban schools and communities.

Geographical Service Area:

National
 United States

Audiences:

Primary Teachers	Secondary Teachers	College Teachers
Non-formal, Youth Ed.	Pre-service Educators	Administrators
Curriculum Developers	Primary Students	Secondary Students
Grassroots Org.	General Public	

Materials:

<i>Topics</i>	<i>Listed</i>	<i>Sources</i>	<i>Acquired Criteria</i>
Broadly Defined Environmental Education	Curricular Guides	Educators	Topic
Science Education, incl Env. Educ.	Activity Books	Government Agencies	Source
Environmental Policy (Education)	Background Information	Universities/ Res. Ctrs.	Audience
Environmental Issue Education	Technical Data	Non-Profit/Non-Government Organizations	Need
Teacher Resources	Research Studies	Multilateral Institutions	Fit with mission/mandate
EE Resource Library	Newsletters	Authors	Operational “Standards”
	Journals/Articles	Publishers	Cost
	Dissertations/Theses	Media	
	Posters	Industries/Corporations	
	Games		
	Films/Videos		
	Children’s Books		

Categories/Parameters:

Author	Publisher	Date
Catalogue Number(ISBN)	Key Words (open search)	Descriptors/Identifiers
Related Terms	Abstract	Grade Level
Address of Publisher	Cost	Services Provided
Contact Person	Provider Name	Provider Address
Provider Phone	Provider Fax/E-Mail	

User Options:

<i>Access of Data</i>	<i>Means of Dissemination</i>	<i>Materials/Document Service</i>	<i>Other Services</i>	<i>Cost</i>
Hard Copy/Card File	Resource List	Abstracts	Educator Assistance	Annual Subscriber per User
On-Site Service	Services List	Bibliographic Information	Resource Center	Free
E-Mail	Newsletters		Scholarships	
Centralized Collection			Networks between Educators and Material Providers	
Web Site				

Technical Information:

Frequency of Updating Service:

Every 6 months

Evaluation:

Funding Source (s):

Private
Foundations
Grants
User Fees

**Earthlink Publishing
Australia**

Earthlink Publishing
 Simon Williams
 P.O. Box 645
 Kent Town SA
 Australia 501

www.earthlink.com.au

Start Date: 1992

Mission:

Australia's Environmental Directory.

Geographical Service Area:

National (Australia)

Audiences:

High School Teachers	Non-formal Youth Ed	Pre-Service Ed
Community & Adult Ed	Administrators	Grassroots Org
Media	General Public	Researchers
Policy Makers		

Materials:

<i>Topics</i>	<i>Listed</i>	<i>Sources</i>	<i>Acquired Criteria</i>
Broadly defined Environmental Education	Curricular guides	Educators	Topic
Environmentally Friendly Business	Activity books	Government Agencies	
	Posters	Non-profit/Non-gov Org	
	Games	Authors	
	Films/Videos	Media	
	Skills Banks	Publishers	

Categories/Parameters:

Author
 Publisher

User Options:

<i>Access of Data</i>	<i>Means of Dissemination</i>	<i>Materials/Document Service</i>	<i>Other Services</i>	<i>Cost</i>
Hard Copy/Card File	Directory	Database	Media Productions	Free
Online	Resource List			Per Document
	On-line/Modem			

Technical Information:

Frequency of Updating Service:

Every 12 months

Evaluation:

User Comment Evaluation

User Survey (Random)

Funding Source (s):

Private

**Center for Great Lakes
Environmental Education
Erie County Education Institute
Inc.**

Center for Great Lakes Environmental Education
 Erie County Education Institute Inc.
 (716)858-7713
 Tina Preston
 P.O. Box 56
 Buffalo, N.Y. 14205-0056

www.greatlakesed.org
 (716)858-6370/fax

Start Date: January 1, 1998

Mission:

The Center for Great Lakes Environmental Education will provide a central information and reference service for Great Lakes - St. Lawrence educational resources to teachers, students and non-formal educators.

Audiences:

Primary and Secondary Teachers
 College Teachers
 Non-formal, Youth Education
 Curriculum Developers
 Primary and Secondary Students

Geographical Service Area:

Great Lakes Basin
 Northeast
 Midwest
 Canada

Materials:

<i>Topics</i>	<i>Listed</i>	<i>Sources</i>	<i>Acquired Criteria</i>
Specific Environmental Topic Education	Activity Books	Educators	Topic
	Background Information	Government Agencies	Source
	Technical Data	Universities/Res Centers	Format
	Newsletters	Non-profit/Non-government organizations	Audience
	Journals/Articles	Authors	"Fit" with mission/mandate
	Posters	Publishers	
	Games		
	Films/Videos		
	Audiotapes		
	Skills Banks		

Categories/Parameters:

Author	Publisher	Date
Catalogue Number (ISBN)	Key Words (open search)	Grade Level
Address of Publisher (how to obtain)	Provider Name	Provider Address
Provider Phone	Provider fax/E-Mail	

User Options:

<i>Access of Data</i>	<i>Means of Dissemination</i>	<i>Materials/Document Service</i>	<i>Other Services</i>	<i>Cost</i>
Hard Copy	Directory	Abstracts	Resource Center	Free
On-site Service	Resource List	Bibliographic Information	Conferences	
E-Mail	On-line/Modem	Summary Publications	Networks Between Educators and Material Providers	
Computer Network				

Technical Information:

Frequency of Updating Service:

Operation in beginning stages, frequency of updating not yet established.

Evaluation:

The following Evaluation tools are not currently in effect, but are intended services

Use (frequency)

User Comment Evaluation

User Survey (random)

Productivity Targets

Funding Source (s):

Government

Private

Grants

E2: Environment and Education

E2: Environment & Education
 Leslie Crawford
 P.O. Box 20515
 Boulder, CO 80308-3515

E-mail: lce2@enviroaction.org
 303-442-3339

Start Date: 1994

Mission:

E2's mission is to promote environmental stewardship through personal empowerment and responsibility of students.

Geographical Service Area:

National
 International

Audiences:

Secondary Teachers	Non-formal/Youth Ed	Pre-service Educators
Administrators	Curriculum Developers	7-12 Students

Materials:

<i>Topics</i>	<i>Listed</i>	<i>Sources</i>	<i>Acquired Criteria</i>
Environmental Issue Education	Curricular Guides	Authors	Need (for . . .)
Teacher resources	Activity Books		

Categories/Parameters:

System Control Number	Address of Publisher (how to obtain)	Provider Name
Provider Address	Provider Phone	Provider FAX/E-mail

User Options:

<i>Access of Data</i>	<i>Means of Dissemination</i>	<i>Materials/Document Service</i>	<i>Other Services</i>	<i>Cost</i>
Hard Copy	Brochures	Teacher Resource Guides	Educator Assistance - workshops, institutes, etc	Varies with search and information requested
Computer Networks	On-line/Modem	Student Editions		

Technical Information:

Frequency of Updating Service:

On-going

Evaluation:

Use

User comment evaluation

Funding Source (s):

Foundations

Grants

User Fees

Ed Gateway

Ed Gateway
 Art Sussman
 West Ed Regional Lab
 730 Harrison St
 San Francisco, CA 94107

www.edgateway.net
 (415)- 565-3000

Start Date: 1997

Mission:

Offers educators and their organizations the ability to find, organize and share events, discussions, organizational information and documents.

Audiences:

Environmental Educators
 Education Reform Community
 Science Teachers

Geographical Service Area:

National

Materials:

<i>Topics</i>	<i>Listed</i>	<i>Sources</i>	<i>Acquired Criteria</i>
Education Reform	curriculum	web site contributors	
Environmental Educ	instruction		
	assessment		
	school site		

Categories/Parameters:

User Options:

<i>Access of Data</i>	<i>Means of Dissemination</i>	<i>Materials/Document Service</i>	<i>Other Services</i>	<i>Cost</i>
			Discussion Groups	None
			Calendars- groups states national	None

Technical Information:

Frequency of Updating Service:

Continual

Evaluation:

Annual - in process

Funding Source (s):

EETAP (Environmental Education and Training Partnership
Eisenhower National Consortium

EE Exchange

Environmental Education Exchange
 Neil Boss Markowitz
 P.O. Box 2630
 110 E. Pennington St
 Tucson, AZ 85702

www.eeexchange.org
 520-670-1442

Start Date: 1993

Mission:

The Environmental Education Exchange is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization established to enhance and expand the environmental literacy of inhabitants and visitors in the unique desert regions of the southwestern United States and northwestern Mexico.

Geographical Service Area: International, Southwest and West United States, Mexico

Audiences:

Primary Teachers	Secondary Teachers	College Teachers
Non-Formal, Youth Educators	Pre-service Educators	Curriculum Developers
Community and Adult Educators		

Materials:

<i>Topics</i>	<i>Listed</i>	<i>Sources</i>	<i>Acquired Criteria</i>
Broadly Defined Environmental Education	Curricular guides	Government Agencies	Topic
Science Education incl Env. Education	Activity books	Universities/Res Centers	Source
Teacher Resources	Background Info	Non-Profit/Non-Gov Org	Audience
Specific Environmental Topic Orientation	Newsletters		
	Computer Programs		

Categories/Parameters:

Publisher	Key Words (open search)	Grade Level
Audience	Descriptors/Identifiers - fixed list of identified terms	

User Options:

<i>Access of Data</i>	<i>Means of Dissemination</i>	<i>Materials/Document Service</i>	<i>Other Services</i>	<i>Cost</i>
Hard Copy/Card File	CD-ROM	User Guides	Educator Assistance (workshops, institutes, etc)	Free
PDF Documents	Directory	On-line searchable database	Other training programs	
Web Site	Resource List		Publication/Curriculum Development	
Searchable Database	Newsletter(s)		Media Productions	
Computer Diskettes	Brochures		Conferences	
	On-line/Modem		Scholarships	
	Computer Diskettes		Networks between Education and Material Providers	

Technical Information:***Frequency of Updating Service:***

Every 3 months

As needed

Evaluation:

User Comment Evaluation

Funding Source (s):

Government

Private

Foundations

Grants

EE-Link

EE-Link
 Paul Nowak
 1825 Connecticut Ave, NW, Ste 800
 Washington, DC 20009-5708

www.eelink.net

Start Date: 1993

Mission:

Provides and organizes Internet resources to support, enhance and extend affective EE in grades K-12.

Audiences:

Teachers
 Students
 Curriculum Developers
 Administrators
 Researchers
 Pre-service and In-service providers
 Non-formal institutions supporting K-12
 Non-formal professional educators
 Media Specialists/Librarians that support above groups

Geographical Service Area:

National

Materials:

<i>Topics</i>	<i>Listed</i>	<i>Sources</i>	<i>Acquired Criteria</i>
Teachers	Internet EE Classroom	Internet	Fairness and Accuracy
Students	Resources		Depth
EE Professionals	Literature		Emphasis and Skills Building
	Regional EE		Action Orientation
	Education Sites		Instructional Soundness
	Professional Development/Conferences		Usability
	Facts		
	Literature		
	Higher Education		
	Job Opportunities		
	Regional Information		

Categories/Parameters:

Researching EE
Web-based training

Networking
Professional Development

EE-Pro Links

User Options:

<i>Access of Data</i>	<i>Means of Dissemination</i>	<i>Materials/Document Service</i>	<i>Other Services</i>	<i>Cost</i>
On-line	On-line		Web Page Design	

Technical Information:

Frequency of Updating Service:

Weekly

Evaluation:

Ongoing

Funding Source (s):

U.S. E.P.A. (EETAP)
Development Fees