

Natural Resource Education

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Project WILD is one of the most widely-used conservation and environmental education programs among educators of students in kindergarten through high school. It is based on the premise that young people and educators have a vital interest in learning about our natural world. A national network of State Wildlife Agency Sponsors ensures that Project WILD is available nationwide -- training educators in the many facets of the program. Emphasizing wildlife because of its intrinsic value, Project WILD addresses the need for human beings to develop as responsible citizens of our planet.

For more information about this program, visit: <http://www.projectwild.org/>

Upcoming Event: North American Association for Environmental Education Conference

The North American Association for Environmental Education (NAAEE) is the professional association for environmental education. Their members promote professional excellence in nonformal organizations, K-12 classrooms, universities (both instructors and students), government agencies, and corporate settings throughout North America and in over 55 other countries. The theme of this year's conference is reflecting on the "power of partnerships" with a variety of topics, including marine and coastal education, service learning, cultural diversity, sustainability, arts and education, and more. The conference will be held in Portland, OR, October 7-10, 2009.

For more information visit: <http://www.naaee.org/conference>

For more upcoming events visit InterfaceSouth at: <http://www.interfacesouth.org/resources/events.html>

Literature: The Natural Inquirer

The *Natural Inquirer* is a middle school science education journal that was created so that scientists can share their research with middle school students. Each article tells about scientific research

The logo features the text "Interface South" in a white, sans-serif font at the top, and "Update" in a white, cursive font below it. The text is set against a dark green background with a white silhouette of a tree. The entire logo is framed by a decorative border of autumn leaves in shades of green and orange.

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conducted by scientists in the USDA Forest Service.

To read more about this journal, visit: <http://www.naturalinquirer.org/>

For more articles on WUI issues visit InterfaceSouth at: <http://www.interfacesouth.org/resources/literature.html>

Website: USDA Forest Service Conservation Education

The mission of the USDA Forest Service Conservation Education program is “to connect people to the land by providing them with the tools they need to take informed actions related to sustaining natural and cultural resources.” The USDA Forest Service Conservation Education website provides many tools for teachers and educators, as well as students. Several resources are provided, including curriculum guides, stories, news articles, conference information, updates, and public service announcements.

To view this website, please visit: <http://www.na.fs.fed.us/spfo/ce/>

For more Web links about interface issues visit <http://www.interfacesouth.org/resources/websites.html>

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