



2017 Teacher Institute on **Best Practices of Environmental Education and Stewardship**

The California Environmental Education Foundation, in partnership with Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP), Metropolitan Water District (MWD), and California Department of Water Resources (DWR), invites educators who teach students in grades 4 -12 at schools in Los Angeles County, to participate in an engaging *three-Saturday* Teacher Institute utilizing investigation-focused pedagogy to maximize collaborative learning in environmental education and place-based stewardship. Institute enrollment preference will be given to middle and high school educators teaching within the city of Los Angeles.

Saturday Institute Dates

September 9; October 28; December 9, 2017
8:00 am – 5:00 pm

On 9/9 and on 12/9 at LADWP: 111 North Hope Street, LA 90012

On 10/28 at MWD: 700 Alameda Street, LA 90012

- **Participate in high-quality environmental education (EE) activities** which are correlated to California's NGSS and Common Core Standards, using nationally acclaimed, research-based EE programs: Project WILD, Project Learning Tree, and Project WET.
- **Experience best practices in learner-centered pedagogy and NGSS science practices** taught by a veteran Regional Director from WestEd's highly respected K-12 Alliance.
- **Learn best practices in environmental stewardship** from experts at Roots and Shoots, Metropolitan Water District and the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power.
- **Receive up-to-date information from scientists on environmental "hot" topics** such as water quality, energy efficiency, renewable energy, water conservation, global climate change and STEM. Learn about and use a new learning and teaching platform SKIES, skieslearn.com developed by Caltech professors and supported by their K-12 outreach programs at Caltech, Community Science Academy, and Caltech Classroom Connection.
- **Receive professional follow-up help throughout the Institute** from your regional CREEC Network Coordinator to identify high quality EE resources and to provide coaching on your class environmental stewardship project.
- **Complimentary lunches, snacks, and refreshments are provided.**
- **Eligible for three (3) Continuing Education Units** available through UC Davis.
- **Collect a \$600 stipend** mailed to you after completing "Stipend Conditions" identified on your Application.
- **Be inspired and network** with fellow teachers interested in EE.
- **Learn about funding sources** for EE and how to apply for a \$200 mini-grant from the Roots and Shoots Program to implement your stewardship project.

To register, send your two-page Application and Letter of Commitment, **signed by your principal and yourself**, by email to **Darryl Ramos-Young**, Registrar, darrylr@westbasin.org. The application is available at <http://caeefoundation.org/programs.html> and must be submitted by **August 1st, 2017**.

If you have registration questions, please contact:

Darryl Ramos-Young, Institute Registrar Re: CEEF Teacher Institute
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You will be notified by **August 1st, 2017**, of your acceptance. Primary funding support for the Institute comes from the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power, Metropolitan Water District, and the California Department of Water Resources.