



Syllabus

Importance of Connecting Children with Nature
Teacher Enhancement Course
Thursday, June 18, 2009
8 AM – 4:30 PM

Fee: \$70 (plus \$30 for ½ CSM credit)

Register for both courses for \$120 per person, plus \$30/course for ½ CSM credit

Course Description:

Richard Louv's book *Last Child in the Woods* propelled the "No Child Left Inside" movement. Understand the history of the movement and its relationship to education. Discover how to get students outside academically and physically while designing lessons to get students outside on school grounds.

Course Goal:

Participants will understand the value of having students outside and will develop lesson plans incorporating outside activities.

Course Objectives:

- 60% of participants will be able to explain an impact of the No Child Left Inside amendment to formal education
- 80% of participants will write a lesson plan incorporating an outside activity
- 100% of participants will participate in outside learning activities

Course Schedule

Morning –

Welcome and introductions
Discussion of Louv's book and implications to formal education
Math and Literacy activities outside

Lunch – Investigation activity to understanding No Child Left Inside amendment

Afternoon –

Shawna Crocker, Project Learning Tree State Coordinator, Guest speaker
Survey and enhancement of lesson ideas
Create and share own lesson plan
Wrap up and review

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