ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION RESOURCE REPORT





serving Amelia, Nottoway, Prince Edward Counties

Fall 2020 - Pandemic Edition

Virtual Education Resources

Nature Lessons & Resources from Oxbow Farm & Conservation Center <u>K-8</u> Ecosystem exploration The Virtual Field Experience

HS/College *good intro to careers in natural resources

Jamer River Association virtual classrooms ALL AGES (lesson plans, activities, videos, worksheets, answer keys)



Literature Connection

ES: <u>The Water Princess</u> by: Susan Verde, Georgie Badiel

MS/HS: <u>A Long Walk to Water</u> by: Linda Sue Park (A lesson unit to accompany this story is available upon request)

HS: <u>What The Eyes Don't See</u> by: Mona Hanna-Attisha (the dramatic story of the Flint water crisis)

HS: <u>As Long As Grass Grows</u> by: Dina Gilio-whitaker (The Indigenous Fight for Environmental Justice)

Message from the Education Coordinator

Hi and happy holiday season! This interactive newsletter is full of reviewed resources that will assist you in maximizing your natural resource educating in this time of physically disrupted learning. The Literature Connection list contains book titles that teachers from around the state are using. Also, wouldn't it be great if all students (especially those who drive) signed VDOT's *No Love for Litter* pledge? Bringing this to the thoughts of our youth could have a substantial impact the appearance of our communities'.

We have many resources to assist you in teaching about natural resources. If you need something, please contact me. I am here to support you! Best wishes,

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DID YOU KNOW?

VDOT is asking residents of all ages to sign the <u>NO LOVE FOR LITTER pledge</u>! #VaLoversNotLitter

Partnerships are a great way to enhance learning. Soil & Water Districts from across the state have partnered with Buckingham 4H to help create the **Watershed Wonder Wednesdays** video series. Each Wednesday a new video will be added to the <u>YouTube channel</u>. These short videos (3-5min) will teach about many water concepts focusing on the James River Watershed. Topics include: what is a watershed, karst topography, mountian stream ecology, vernal pools, BMP's, biological water sampling, and many more. A new video will be released every Wednesday until early May.

Follow us on <u>Facebook</u> for up-to-date learning resources and professional development opportunities.

The 2020-2021 Virginia Dominion Energy <u>Envirothon Program</u> will occur virtually. For more information contact Kelly at katkinson@piedmontswcd.org or call 434-392-3782 x132.