



PLT Environmental Experiences for Early Childhood

Exploring nature is a complete sensory experience, and early experiences with the natural world excite children's imaginations and foster their inborn sense of wonder and curiosity—important motivators for lifelong learning.

- ◆ Features more than 35 activities designed for use with PreK and Kindergarten children.
- ◆ **The program** integrates nature-based exploration, art, literature, math, music and movement, and outdoor play into early childhood education programs.
- ◆ The guide contains eleven activities that encourage young children to explore the senses, the seasons, and neighborhood trees. The activities highlight the importance of kinetic learning and engagement by incorporating music and movement using an accompanying music CD.
- ◆ **PLT's Environmental Experiences for Early Childhood** encourages children to explore, discover, and communicate in expressive ways, and provides an introduction to environmental education at a key developmental period in children's lives.

Who Should Attend?

All formal and non-formal educators are encouraged to take advantage of these **AWESOME, AWARD WINNING** educational books.

- ◆ Girl Scout Leaders
- ◆ 4-H Cloverbud Advisors
- ◆ Pre-School Teachers
- ◆ 1st Grade Teachers
- ◆ 2nd Grade Teachers
- ◆ Cub Scout Leaders
- ◆ Naturalists
- ◆ SWCD Educators
- ◆ Anyone who helps with programs dealing with this age group!

Workshop Facilitated by:

- Lucas Soil and Water Conservation District
- Magee Marsh Wildlife Area
- Ottawa National Wildlife Refuge
- Ottawa Soil and Water Conservation District
- Wood Soil and Water Conservation District

**Questions Call Ottawa SWCD:
419-898-1595**

AWARD WINNING!



**TWO exciting
curriculum based
programs for young
children
Ages 3-7**

Thursday, August 12

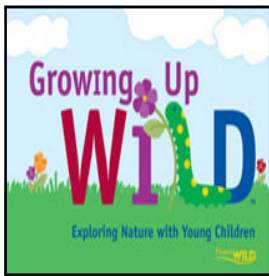
Where:

Ottawa National Wildlife Refuge
14000 W. State Route 2
Oak Harbor, Ohio 43449

Time: 8:30 a.m.—4:00 p.m.

COST: \$30

Certificate for Contact Hours



Why Attend?

The activity guide, *Growing Up WILD: Exploring Nature with Young Children*:

- Is written especially for early childhood educators of children ages 3-7.
- Features 27 field-tested, hands-on, nature based activities in a full-color 11"x17" activity guide.
- Includes crafts, art projects, music, conservation activities, reading and math connections and much more.
- Involves social, emotional, physical, language, and cognitive domains to help foster learning and development in all areas.
- Supports developmentally appropriate practice allowing children to learn at levels that are individually, socially, and culturally appropriate.
- Is correlated to the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) Standards and the Head Start Domains.

"This is the ultimate example of content integration with creative and critical thinking, while engaging and addressing the needs of all children...an amazing package all in one!"

The alignment with developmentally appropriate practices is revealed in each and every section of every unit.

What a great way to support and encourage all early childhood educators to include nature in many ways."

—**Dr. Kathryn Jenkins** Assistant Professor in Early Childhood Education University of Houston-Downtown

Growing Up Wild Registration Form

Deadline: Friday, July 30, 2010

Name:			
HOME Address:			
City	State & Zip:		
School:	Grade Level:		
Phone: Cell or Home	Phone: School		
E-Mail Address:			

Workshop is limited to 30 participants—Questions please call 419-898-1595 or you local SWCD Office

PAYMENT INFORMATION

Make Check Payable to: Ottawa SWCD
240 W. Lake Street, Unit B
Oak Harbor, Ohio 43449

Meals, refreshments and materials are included in the price of registration

Do you require a vegetarian meal? (circle) Yes No

Please be aware that activities described in the brochure may carry risk, which may not always be obvious. Please be aware of these risks and your ability. Ask for help when needed in order to eliminate the chance for personal injury.

I am aware of the risks inherent in these activities and assume responsibility to myself from whatever cause.

Signature of registrant

Date

*****Please be sure to include workshop fee with your completed registration**