Bring Winter into the Classroom

Workshop for K-12 Teachers

DATE:  Saturday, Feb. 13, 2010
TIME:   9:00 am - 4:00 pm
LOCATION:  Belle Isle Nature Zoo in Detroit

Course Description

Explore the unique challenges of survival in winter, including extreme environmental conditions, plant and animal adaptations to winter, and how organisms interact with their winter environment. This course emphasizes learning through exploration, hands-on activities, and a combination of outdoor and indoor lessons. Content will focus primarily on science and math, but will also include topics appropriate for history, social studies, and creative writing. Course content is directly tied to Michigan content standards for elementary and high school curriculum. All participants will be required to actively participate in all learning activities.

Take new ideas and supplies back to your classroom! All activities are correlated to Michigan Content Standards and Benchmarks for science, mathematics & social studies.

COST:   $40 workshop fee includes classroom supplies, snowshoe rental, and lunch. Workshop fee for teachers from schools in Detroit & Pontiac School Districts is supported by the Michigan Space Grant Consortium.

CREDIT: Workshop participants may earn 0.5 credit from Northern Michigan University or 0.5 SB-CEUs for an additional cost (pending). Participants will register for credit at the workshop.

WHAT TO WEAR:  Dress warmly, as some of the workshop activities will be outside.


FOR INFORMATION: Contact Mike Reed at Belle Isle Nature Zoo at 313-852-4056 Ext.202 / 313-595-9729 or Joan Chadde at Michigan Tech University (906) 487-3341.

REGISTRATION DEADLINE:  Friday, February 5, 2010 (Registration form on back.)

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Fax registration form by Feb. 5 to:
Joan Chadde, Michigan Alliance for Environmental & Outdoor Education (MAEOE) & Michigan Tech University
MAIL: 105 Dillman Hall, Michigan Tech University, 1400 Townsend Dr., Houghton, MI 49931
FAX: 906-487-1620 EMAIL: jchadde@mtu.edu

Select ONE (optional):
____ 0.5 SB-CEUs (additional cost $10) OR ____ 0.5 ED 989 NMU graduate credit (additional cost $169.88)

Please type or print neatly in ink. Duplicate as needed.

NAME:__________________________________________
First Last

HOME ADDRESS:___________________________________________________
Street City State Zip

WORK PHONE:_________________________________ HOME PHONE:________

WORK FAX:_________________________________ EMAIL:________________

EMPLOYER/SCHOOL NAME:________________________________________
SCHOOL DISTRICT:________________________________________

EMPLOYER/SCHOOL ADDRESS:________________________________________
Street City State Zip

Current subject areas taught:________________________________________
Grades taught:________________________________________

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What past participants had to say about last year’s workshop.
• Brian is very energizing and extremely knowledgeable.
• Good balance of info and experiences.
• This was a great workshop---terrific instructor!