



CONSERVATION EDUCATION

The Warren County Conservation District's Education Program plays an important role in helping educate the people of Warren County so they can better appreciate and care for our natural environment and help reduce water pollution. The District provides hands-on programs to reach youth, plus workshops and demonstrations for the adult community. If you need specific information, require a presentation or would just like to learn more about natural resources, the Conservation District is always here to assist you. The District staff can present hands-on programs, conduct field trips, manage workshops, and provide learning materials. Listed below are some of the highlights of our on-going Conservation Education Programs.

Youth Conservation Camp



Exploring nature the fun way

The Warren County Youth Conservation Camp is a three-day camp for boys and girls ages 12-14 years old who are interested in learning about our

natural environment and other conservation topics. The camp is co-sponsored and made possible by the Warren County Council of Sportsmen's Clubs and a grant from the Northern Allegheny Conservation Association.

Children's Nature Camp



This one didn't get away!

Two Children's Nature Camps were held this summer. We offered hikes, games, crafts, snacks, learning opportunities focusing on clean water and healthy soils, and fun for children aged 6-11. Our "base camp" was the pavilion at the Hatch Run Conservation Demonstration Area (HRCDA), and we explored the property. Thanks to a grant from the PA Fish and Boat Commission, each camper had the experience of getting to fish, and some even caught one!

Envirothon

The Envirothon is an annual outdoor academic competition, held at Chapman State Park. It is designed to test high school students' knowledge and understanding of natural resource issues, and to cultivate

within the student a desire to learn more about the natural world. The event is based on teams of 5 students testing their skills in aquatics, forestry, soils, wildlife, and one new current event topic each year. The winning county team goes on to represent the county at a state event, and the state winner goes on to a national event.



"Aeshnidae" WAHS 1st again!

Education Never Stops

Our trained Volunteer Teacher Naturalists have helped with all of our school programs and camps logging in over 500 hours this year.

The District participated in "Ag Day" at the Warren Mall in March as part of the Future of Agriculture program. We also facilitated a number of other programs, including another class of teacher naturalists that was very popular and a teacher in-service program entitled "Local Agriculture as an Integrating Concept".

The District is always working to develop new and exciting conservation education programs and encourages anyone to participate as volunteer teachers.