



National Environmental Education Week

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Happy EE Week!

This week -- April 11-17 -- is [National Environmental Education Week](#).

Are you looking for a last-minute EE Week activity? Have your students access the [EE Week Carbon Footprint Calculator](#), then develop plans to reduce their personal carbon footprints.

Hundreds of activity ideas and lesson plans may be found at [EEWeek.org](#) this week and throughout the year. And if you haven't done so already, it's not too late to [register](#) your school or organization to participate.

Have a great EE Week!

Be Water and Energy Wise! Tip

Use cold instead of hot water to rinse dishes and wash clothes. Hot water uses more energy.

Source: [Energy Hog](#)

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The Water-Energy Connection

In the United States, generating power consumes 3 percent of our nation's water annually and 13 percent of the energy produced in this country each year is used to treat, transport and heat our water. Conserving water saves energy, and vice versa. Access EE Week's resources and teaching tools on the [Water-Energy Connection](#).

Partner Spotlight: Earth Day Network

With a strong history of successful environmental education initiatives, Earth Day Network's Education program has hundreds of environmental education resources and curricula for students and educators, available through their free [Educators' Network](#). Earth Day Network also sponsors [education grant programs](#) for school greening, climate change education and civic education, as well as other environmental education initiatives to help educators better prepare their students for 21st century learning.



Late last month, Earth Day Network co-presented with River Network for EE Week's first educator webinar: [Teaching the Water-Energy Connection](#). Earth Day Network presented several successful school-based projects to improve water and energy conservation, as well as lesson plans on the water-energy connection. The webinar materials are available online along with a video of the live broadcast. [Access the webinar](#)

Featured Resource

Earth Day Network Water & Energy Lesson Plans

Earth Day Network recently developed four lesson plans on the water-energy connection to help middle and high school teachers bring the topic into the classroom in support of EE Week's 2010 theme. Lesson topics include:

- The Connection Between Water and Energy Use: An Introduction
- Where Does Your Drinking Water Come From?
- Understanding the Energy Demand of Bottled Water
- Hidden Relationships: Energy Sources and Water Usage



Developed by and for educators, these interdisciplinary lessons are correlated to national content standards in science, language arts, social studies and math. Each activity may also be adapted for use with older or younger students. [Access the lesson plans](#)

2010 EE Week Photo Blog Contest

Do you have an inspiring photo showing how your students are participating in EE Week? Submit your photos and stories to EE Week's annual Photo Blog Contest for a chance to win great prizes! [Learn more](#)

Our Program

National Environmental Education (EE) Week is the largest organized environmental education event in the United States.

EE Week connects educators with environmental resources to promote K-12 students' understanding of the environment.

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