



National Environmental Education Week

Be Water Wise!

April 12-18, 2009

National Environmental Education Week (EE Week) is the nation's largest organized environmental education event. Held each April, EE Week promotes understanding and protection of the natural world by actively engaging Girl Scout Daisies through Ambassadors and their leaders/advisors/councils along with other students and educators in an inspired week of environmental learning and action before Earth Day.

EE Week enhances the Girl Scout Leadership Experience and [journeys](#) by offering opportunities for girls to:

- **Discover** – a strong sense of self, positive values and understanding of their important role in caring for wildlife, the environment and our Earth's natural resources.
- **Connect** – with one another while they care about nature, the outdoors and their local and global communities.
- **Take Action** – to identify community and environmental needs, positively impact the environment and educate and inspire others to act as stewards of wildlife and our Earth.

This year's EE Week theme is *Be Water Wise!* Registered Girl Scouts, volunteers and councils will have access to a wide variety of FREE environmental education resources, including:

- Standards-based environmental education lessons and activities, including **water conservation, watershed, and water quality curricula**,
- Access to EE Week's **school water audit** tool in which girls "find the leaks" in water usage at school,
- Opportunities for online communication and knowledge-sharing with educators from across the country, including participation in the **EE Week Photo Blog** contest,
- **Monthly electronic newsletters** highlighting the latest EE curricula, professional development, and funding opportunities,
- **Certificates** of participation, and
- A coupon for **\$10 off your purchase at Acorn Naturalists**, offering over 8,000 science and nature resources for the council, troop/group or service unit.

In addition to extending a Girl Scouts' [journey](#) experience, girls can develop water related projects and work on the revised [Water Drop Patch Project](#) or earn the [Get with the Land Patch](#) by participating in EE Week activities done in collaboration with a federal or state natural resource agency. Visit www.girlscouts.org and search for "Water Drop" or "Get with the Land" for more information.

Register today at www.EEWeek.org. Be sure to write "Girl Scouts" and the council name or troop number in the organization field.

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