

ATTENTION METRO FIFTH-GRADE TEACHERS. You and your fifth-grade class are invited to register for the:

2009 Metro Area Children's Water Festival

WEBSITE: www.MetroCWF.org

Purpose

The purpose of the festival is to raise participants' understanding of water in everyday life. Through understanding the water cycle and other related natural resources, participants learn to appreciate their natural environment and our abundant water resources.

Who Should Attend

The Festival is open to all Metro Area fifth-grade classes.

Where and When

Minnesota State Fairgrounds

Wednesday, September 30, 2009

Arrival: Between 9 to 10 a.m.

Departure: Between 1:30 to 2:30 p.m.

Activities

This year's festival promises to be exciting, with fun activities and interactive displays including:

- ◆ Wetland Metaphors
- ◆ Waterways and Flyways
- ◆ Build Your Own Aquifer
- ◆ Would You Drink This Water?

Students will participate in presentations by professionals in the education and environmental fields. The learning stations are located

inside and outside. The Science Museum's production "**WATER!**" will return for an encore performance.

Each participant will receive educational materials, lunch and refreshments.

Cost

The sponsors are paying the cost of the festival.

Cost - Busing

We may be able to provide limited busing stipends on an as-needed basis if sufficient funds are available.

Sponsors

The Metro Area Ground Water Alliance (MAGWA) is sponsoring the Festival in cooperation with:

- MN Board of Water and Soil Res.
- MN Dept. of Natural Resources
- MN Department of Health
- MN Office of Env. Assistance
- MN Pollution Control Agency
- Metropolitan Council
- U of M Cooperative Extension
- Watershed districts
- Metro. counties and municipalities
- and many others.

Registration Information

To register, fill out the form and mail it to the address below. **YOUR REGISTRATION MUST BE POSTMARKED BY March 31, 2009.** Unfortunately, we are limited in the number of students we can accommodate, so a random drawing will select classes (an equal number from each county) until we reach our capacity. First preference in the lottery will be given to classes/schools that did not attend the previous year.

Classes registered before the deadline will be entered into the drawing. You are encouraged to register each class separately. At least 6 classrooms will be selected from each county.

If your class is selected by lottery, you will be notified in May. Details about the Festival will be provided to the selected classes at a later date.

For more information, call Bart Biernat, (763) 422-6985.

Mail no later than March 31, 2009

Mail/Fax/Email to:

Bart Biernat

Anoka Co. Environmental Services

2100 Third Avenue, Rm. 360

Anoka MN 55303

763-323-6150 (fax)

bart.biernat@co.anoka.mn.us



Yes, my fifth-grade class wishes to attend (PLEASE PRINT):

1. We can arrive at (9-10:30 a.m.): _____ a.m.
2. We must leave at (1:30-2:30 p.m.): _____ p.m.
3. School Name: _____

4. Address (include city & ZIP code): _____

5. County School is located in (limited to 6 classes per county): _____

6. Teacher's Name: _____

7. Teacher's Phone # and Email: _____ Notify (by email) of lottery results

8. Number of Students: _____

9. Number of Classrooms*: _____

* Registration of multiple classes is limited to no more than 6. If more than one classroom, please attach a list of the Class Information (#6, #7 and #8).