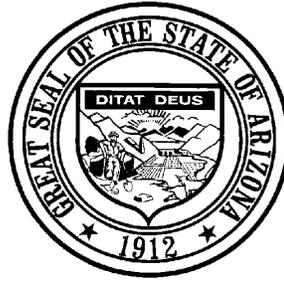


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Water education is important everywhere, but perhaps more so in our region where population is booming and there is discussion aplenty about available water supplies. With that in mind, local communities have demonstrated their support and interest in water education and conservation by creating the Central Yavapai Water Conservation Partnership.

The Partnership kicked off their water education effort last October by hosting the largest Make a Splash with Project WET Water Festival in Arizona history. Nearly 1,200 fourth graders, 100 volunteers, and 50 teachers gathered for this massive community event.

In February, the Partnership hosted a Project WET Facilitator workshop, which armed fourteen enthusiastic locals with training and materials to conduct water-related teacher and educator workshops.

Through year's end, the facilitators will get a chance to showcase their flair for water education at one of the six workshops being planned around the region.

To date, current workshop offerings include:

May 31: Water Curriculum and Activity, Grades 6-12, Prescott Valley
June 13: Water Curriculum and Activity, Grades K-5, Prescott Valley
June 27: Arizona Conserve Water, Grades K-12, Prescott
July 11: Healthy Water Healthy People – Water Quality, Grades K-12, Cottonwood

All workshop content is correlated to Arizona Academic Standards.

Everyone is welcome! The workshops are offered on a first come first served basis and limited to thirty participants. Register at: http://ag.arizona.edu/AZWATER/wet/GW_Upcoming.html

The Partnership, an ad hoc committee established in 2006 with representatives from the Arizona Department of Water Resources, Town of Prescott Valley, Town of Chino Valley, City of Prescott, and Yavapai County, is excited to partner with Arizona Project WET to bring a comprehensive teacher-tested K-12 water education program to the region.

With funding from the Arizona Department of Water Resources, these workshops are being offered at no charge to participants and all who attend will receive educator guides specific to the workshop.

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