

Metro Parks' Summer Teacher Workshops

For Social Studies, Physical Education and Science Teachers



Aligned to the Ohio Academic Content Standards
Graduate Credit Available through Ashland University

Ohio Farming: The Land, Work and Culture

June 18 & 19

Partner: Ohio Historical Society

Upper Elementary/Middle

- Presenting agencies: Columbus City Schools, Ohio Farm Bureau, Ohio Historical Society
- Participate in hands-on activities that correlate to the History and Geography Standards
- Explore current and future farming techniques designed to reduce negative impacts on the environment
- Learn how farming technology and culture has changed from prehistoric times to today
- Visit the Ohio Historical Center and living historical and working farms

Registration deadline, June 11

Getting the Dirt on Rocks, Minerals and Soil

June 24 & 25

- Learn about educational resources and field trip locations that address geology
- Understand how erosion and weathering shape the earth
- Learn the characteristics of rocks, soil and minerals and the difference between minerals and rocks
- Presenting agencies: Franklin Soil & Water Conservation District, Solid Waste Authority of Central Ohio
- Learn how to compost veggie food scraps with worms

Upper Elementary/Middle

Registration deadline, June 17

Highlighting PE Standards in the Outdoors

July 14 & 15

Partner: Columbus City Schools

All grade levels

- Presenting agencies: Ohio Department of Education, Columbus City, Brookville Local, & Groveport Madison Schools, Five Rivers Metro Parks, Division of Watercraft, Ohio Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance
- Be introduced to the new Ohio PE Standards by participating in activities that are ideal for an outdoor setting
- Participate in: Bike and water safety, unstructured nature play, disc golf
- Learn how to incorporate technology in your class to improve student performance
- Learn techniques for adapting activities for students with disabilities

Registration deadline, July 7

Nature's Weird and Wonderful

July 21 & 22

- Presenting agencies: Nationwide Children's Hospital, Franklin & Union Soil & Water Conservation Districts, Columbus City and South-Western City Schools
- Explore plant and animal interdependence, adaptations and natural nutrient cycling
- Topics include: alien species, soil life, decomposition, food webs/chains, plant mutations
- Learn to use gross things to teach science

Elementary

Registration deadline, July 14

Registration Information: Susan Boggs, c/o Metro Parks, 1069 W. Main St., Westerville, OH 43081

Register online at: www.metroparks.net **Questions:** call or email Susan at (614) 895-6211 or sboggs@metroparks.net

Minimum: Ohio Farming—10 participants. All other workshops—8 participants

2009 Ohio Farming: The Land, Work & Culture, Getting the Dirt on Rocks, Minerals and Soil, Highlighting PE Standards in the Outdoors and Nature's Weird and Wonderful Workshops Registration Form—(please print)

Please note: Confirmation information will be sent to the address & Email provided
To earn graduate credit teachers must attend both days of each workshop they are attending

Name: _____ Home Email: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home/Cell Phone: () _____ Alternate phone: () _____

School & District: _____ Emergency contact name/phone: _____

- The Workshop Fee for each workshop is \$50 (check made payable to Metro Parks or pay below by credit card).
- The Workshop Fee must be submitted with this registration form and is nonrefundable after registration deadline listed above.
- Space is limited and will not be reserved without payment of the Workshop Fee.
- A participant may earn 1 graduate credit hour for each workshop completed. \$166 per credit hour will be collected at workshop.
- A participant earning credit will complete the Ashland University registration form at the workshop.

I wish to participate in (circle title): *Ohio Farming* *Getting the Dirt* *Highlighting PE Standards* *Nature's Weird and Wonderful*

Credit Card Number: _____ Expiration Date: _____

Total Amount Enclosed or to be Charged (\$50 per workshop) \$ _____

Signature for Use of Credit Card: _____

The workshop(s) in which you are enrolling will be conducted at various Metro Parks and/or other venues. Please plan on driving to locations throughout Central Ohio. Directions to each site will be given. Outdoor activities will take place in all conditions, except severe weather. By signing below, you understand the requirements of this course and are willing to participate.

Signature: _____ Date: _____