

Mission

To provide leadership in the development of learning opportunities that empower Wisconsin citizens with the knowledge and skills needed to make wise environmental decisions, and to take responsible actions in their personal lives, workplaces, and communities.



History

The Wisconsin Environmental Education Board was established by 1989 Wisconsin Act 299, becoming law in 1990. Since its inception, the board has been an active working group. In addition to operating an environmental grants program, the board is recognized as a consensus-building group on environmental education issues.

Definition

"Environmental education is a lifelong learning process that leads to an informed and involved citizenry having the creative problem-solving skills, scientific and social literacy, ethical awareness and sensitivity for the relationship between humans and the environment, and commitment to engage in responsible individual and cooperative actions. By these actions, environmentally literate citizens will help ensure an ecologically and economically sustainable environment."

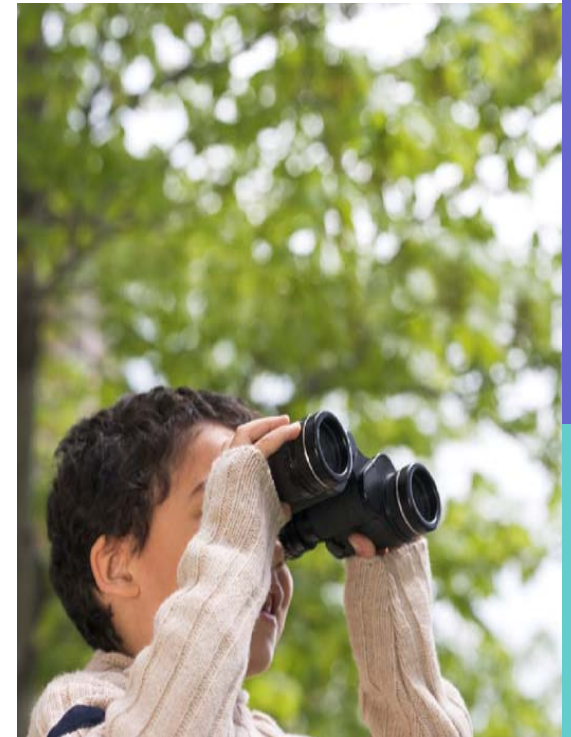
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*A State Board to promote
Environmental Education
in all segments of society*

Promoting Environmental Knowledge and Skills for Wisconsin's Future



The Wisconsin Environmental Education Board

is a consensus-building group that provides positive leadership in the areas of environmental literacy and education.

It provides leadership by:

- advising State leaders on opportunities and important directions;
- coordinating special initiatives; and
- empowering communities through an educational grants program that provides education and training throughout the State.

Why Environmental Education for Wisconsin?

Because Environmental Education:

- Encourages 21st century critical thinking and problem-solving skills for all citizens.
- Promotes a balanced analysis of social, economic and ecological needs.
- Develops citizens who are committed and able to work for natural and built environments capable of supporting diverse needs.
- Challenges teachers and students alike to discover solutions to real-world problems.
- Provides Wisconsin business and industries with trained professionals who understand the interrelationships between the economy and our natural resources, and that the quality of these resources impacts the tourism, agricultural, manufacturing, and service sectors of our economy.



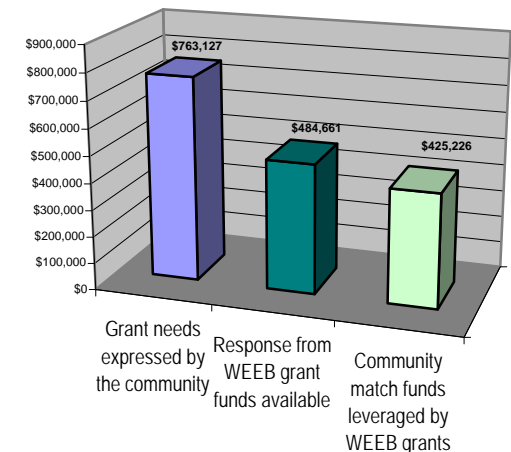
Facts and figures —

WEEB grant impact on communities

The grants program provides funds for energy, forestry and general environmental education projects throughout Wisconsin's communities.



WEEB Grant Impact
2006-07 cycle



From 2006-07 grant cycle:

Number of requests:	108
Number of grants awarded:	72
Number of citizens benefiting since 1997:	over 1.5 million

WEEB is working to continually increase the amount of grant funds available for the community.