

**YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO ATTEND THE
2016 OUTDOOR LEARNING SYMPOSIUM “Innovations In Outdoor Learning”
The Council Of Outdoor Learning Presents a Day of Outdoor Education Sessions**

Dear Educator,

The Council Of Outdoor Learning (COOL) presents “Innovations in Outdoor Learning” at the 2016 Outdoor Learning Symposium (OLS). The conference takes place on Friday, October 14, 2016 at the Southwest Atlanta Christian Academy in Atlanta, Georgia. Registration and conference information is available at www.eealliance.org/outdoor-learning-symposium.



The cost is \$35 for members of the Environmental Education Alliance of Georgia and \$60 for non-members, which includes a one year membership to EEA.

OLS is an annual fall event intended for private and public school teachers, PTA volunteers, youth organization leaders, resources agency educators, nature center instructors, camp counselors, and all interested volunteers from across the state, providing opportunities for networking ,sharing lessons learned, exciting outdoor teaching ideas, and strategies for taking students outside. This year’s Symposium will provide sessions on Georgia reptiles and amphibians, simple app creation for use in outdoor learning, Georgia geology and biogeography, garden math, citizen science, and much more. The Symposium begins at 8:00 am with registration followed by age-oriented outdoor learning sessions, networking opportunities, and a super lunch provided by local chefs.

“I cannot begin to tell you what a wonderful opportunity the Outdoor Learning Symposium is for educators, PTA volunteers, Para-Pros, and other interested persons. The networking opportunities are worth \$35.00 alone, but the learning sessions, which are presented by persons with experience in successful outdoor learning programs, are invaluable. Return to your school or facility with great ideas and information to improve your own Outdoor STEM Learning Areas and programs” . Please Join me, Your friend, Jerry Hightower

Notable About OLS 2015

- Symposium is being presented at a school with a growing, successful outdoor learning area and program.
- Each session is targeted at a distinct grade level: elementary school, middle school, high school, fourth grade and higher, and all ages.
- Sessions on basic content knowledge are offered along with with sessions on innovations, techniques, and strategies.

About the Environmental Education Alliance of Georgia (EEA)

EEA (www.eealliance.org) is a professional education and networking association for educators across Georgia. EEA supports environmental educators in Georgia to achieve its vision, a statewide culture of environmental literacy and stewardship. As an affiliate of the North American Association for Environmental Education, EEA works to promote environmental education by providing opportunities for members, schools, organizations, and the general public to get involved through the annual EEA conference, Outdoor Learning Symposium, Butterfly Symposium, and other special events. The Council of Outdoor Learning is a committee of EEA and is responsible for the Outdoor Learning Symposium.