



Our Wild Schools Plan

Wild Schools Program Goals are as Follows:

- Provide schools with professional development and resources to support environmental teaching and learning
- Engage schools in outdoor place-based learning to help connect students with nature
- Foster school participation in stewardship of B.C.'s biodiversity

How would you describe what environment and or outdoor learning looks like at your school?

What overall goals are in place to guide your school?

What outdoor learning goals do you have for the school?

Professional Development

Wild Schools provide schools with professional development and resources to support environmental teaching and learning.

What are your top Pro-D needs to support your school's goals?

Professional Development Selections

Every year of the Wild Schools program, schools can select up to 10 hours of professional development (PD) options per school year. If you are not sure what to select, here are some of our recommendations:

Not sure what to select?

Check out our Wild Schools Program Pathways for ideas, or here are some of our recommendations:

RECOMMENDED FOR ALL SCHOOLS IN YEAR 1

- Exploring Place with Inquiry

RECOMMENDED FOR SCHOOLS NEW TO OUTDOOR LEARNING

- Outdoor Learning Engages Everyone
- Close Counts: School Grounds as a Place for Learning

RECOMMENDED FOR ALL SCHOOLS

- Beyond the School Grounds: Nature Nearby
- Biodiversity in the School Grounds
- Exploring Biodiversity with Project-Based Learning

Foundation

The foundation workshops are recommended sessions to support and build a strong foundation for environmental teaching and learning.

- Biodiversity in the School Grounds
- Beyond the School Grounds: Nature Nearby
- Close Counts: School Grounds as a Place for Learning
- Connections to Competencies & Assessment Strategies
- Exploring Place with Inquiry
- Outdoor Learning Engages Everyone

Topic or Theme

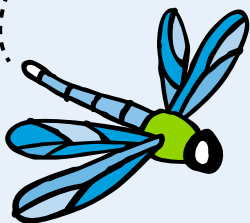
There are many topic or theme-based workshops customized based on your school's needs. Here are a few ideas below:

- Biodiversity in BC
- Climate Change: Impacts & Adaptations on Water, Trees, and Wildlife
- Let's Go on A Field Trip
- DIY Outdoor Learning Kit
- Math and Literacy Outdoors
- Naturescaping
- People Assisting Learning in Schools (PALS)
- People and Plants
- Watersheds

Activity Guide

These are activity guide workshops based on resources HCTF Education delivers for Project WILD, Project WET and Project Learning Tree.

- Below Zero
- Exploring Your Environment
- Discover a Watershed
- Get Outdoors
- Getting Little Feet WET
- Growing Up WILD
- Project WET
- Project WILD
- Trees & Me
- Wetland Wonders



Connecting With Nature

Wild Schools engage schools in outdoor place-based learning to help connect students with nature.

What are some general activities that your school plans will do to connect students with nature? Select all that apply.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> School yard experiences | <input type="checkbox"/> Community project(s) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Connecting beyond the school yard (green spaces adjoining the school and/or neighbourhood) | <input type="checkbox"/> Create a kit of tools and resources for outdoor learning |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Nature observation in different seasons | <input type="checkbox"/> Other, please specify: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Citizen science project(s) | |

For each activity selected, describe what is planned.

Supporting BC's Biodiversity

Wild Schools foster school participation in stewardship of B.C.'s biodiversity.

How will the activities you have planned support this goal of the Wild Schools program?

For Year 2 and Year 3 only: If you have a biodiversity project in mind for your school, describe what's planned and how it includes the student voice.

* For more ideas, see HCTF Education's resource called [Ideas for Supporting Biodiversity on School Grounds](#).