Professional Development

Charlie Elliott Wildlife Center is host to Project WILD, a natural resources curriculum designed to assist learners of any age in developing awareness, knowledge, and skills, needed to make informed decisions, act responsibly, and take constructive actions concerning wildlife and the environment upon which all life depends. In Georgia, this program is sponsored by the Department of Natural Resources, Wildlife Resources Division.

**GEORGIA PROJECT WILD OFFERS THE FOLLOWING TYPES OF WORKSHOPS:**

**PROJECT WILD EDUCATOR WORKSHOP**

An educator workshop trains participants in the use of the Project WILD and Aquatic WILD K-12 Activity Guides. These guides are designed to help educators teach about habitats, ecosystems, adaptations, ecosystems, human impacts on the environment, and wildlife management. Project WILD activity guides have over 100 field tested, interdisciplinary activities that are correlated with national and state educational standards in all subject areas including STEM applications and careers.

**PROJECT WILD FACILITATOR WORKSHOP**

A facilitator workshop trains the participants in the skills necessary to carry out their own Project WILD workshops in their school district, community, or region.

**GROWING UP WILD**

Growing Up WILD is an early childhood education activity guide that builds on children’s sense of wonder about nature and invites them to explore wildlife and the world around them. The 27 field-tested, hands-on, nature-based activities provide a foundation for developing positive impressions about nature while also building lifelong social and cognitive skills. The activities are correlated to the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC), Georgia State Standards, and the Head Start Domains.

**FLYING WILD**

Flying WILD is a conservation education curriculum for middle-school students that introduces students to bird conservation through school bird festivals and hands-on classroom activities. A Flying WILD workshop exposes educators to interdisciplinary, standards-based lessons that engage students in real-world learning while also providing opportunities for leadership and service learning.

**ADVANCED WILD WORKSHOPS**

Advanced WILD workshops are immersive experiences designed around a single topic that a participant can explore. Currently we offer two week-long experiences -

- **Teacher Conservation Workshop:** Explores forestry and natural resources management and how the two are interconnected.
- **Outdoor Wildlife Leadership School:** Examines the flora and fauna of the different ecoregions of Georgia though hands-on activities around research and conservation.

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