GCE LTER Schoolyard program

July 11-18, 2020

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The Georgia Coastal Ecosystems Long Term Ecological Research Program (GCE-LTER) is an NSF-sponsored project that studies how long-term changes caused by climate change, sea level rise, and human alterations of the landscape affect coastal ecosystems. The GCE-LTER Schoolyard Program provides critical professional learning experiences for K-12 educators in field ecology, immersing science and math teachers in the processes of science by assisting scientists conducting research activities in the field and to enable participants to take teaching ideas and real time research data back to the classroom.

The 2020 summer workshop will be held from Saturday, July 11- Saturday, July 18. Participants will be housed in the dorms at the University of Georgia Marine Institute on Sapelo Island. Teachers divide their time between assisting with research work in outdoor settings alongside GCE scientists and graduate students and discussing the implementation of the information and processes of science into their own teaching settings.

Expenses for the program (room and board) are covered by a grant to GCE LTER from the National Science Foundation. A $100 deposit made out to GCE LTER is required for registration and returned to the participant at the completion of the week. In addition, a $100 stipend will also be received by participants upon successful completion of the workshop.

For more information, please visit the GCE Schoolyard Program website: https://gce-schoolyard.uga.edu/ or contact Venetia Butler at venetiabutler@bellsouth.net

Deadline for application is April 25, 2020. However, the program is limited to 12-14 participants. It is advisable to apply as early as possible.
Application for the GCE LTER Schoolyard program

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Name: ___________________________________________ E-mail: ___________________________________________

Home Address: ______________________________________________________________________________________

Cell phone: ___________________________ Alternate phone: ______________________________

For rooming assignments:   Male ☐   Female ☐

Number of years teaching experience (including current year): __________

Are you currently teaching? _____  If yes, School Name or teaching site:

________________________________________________________________________________________

School Location: City & County:

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Grade(s) and Subject(s) you teach: ___________________________________________________________________

Have you participated in the Schoolyard program before? : ______ If yes, how many years:________

What is your current educational status? __________________________________________________________

* If you intend to take this workshop for professional learning credit, you must bring with you the paperwork from your District. GCE-LTER Schoolyard does not provide the paperwork.

Please submit a brief **(250 words maximum)** essay that describes your teaching background and what you would expect to gain from this professional development experience. If you are a returning participant, please describe how you transferred your GCE-LTER Schoolyard experiences to the classroom, **including** at least one specific activity outline or instructions of something you facilitated based on your Schoolyard experience and the benefit of continued participation.

**Deadline: 4/25/20**  Send application and $100 deposit check (made out to GCE-LTER) to Venetia Butler, GCE-LTER Schoolyard Coordinator, 151 South Campbell Avenue, Tybee Island, GA 31328. Please, no bank drafts. There is space for only 12-14 participants, so apply early.