



24th Annual Children's Water Festival Wednesday, May 1, 2019 Fort Lewis College, Durango, CO

Southwestern Water Conservation District is pleased to offer the 24th Annual Children's Water Festival. Each year approximately 750 fifth grade students assemble at Fort Lewis College campus in Durango, Colorado. It's a science conference that focuses on water in our world. The presentations are designed to give students an opportunity to learn about the many different roles water plays in their individual lives, their community, and the world in which they live, and features exhibits and many hands-on presentations highlighting a variety of water-related topics. The goal is to provide a better understanding of water resources, and the value and importance of water.

HANDS ON

Presentations are structured to the fifth-grade learning level, which allows the students to retain the information in a hands on and educational manner. We work closely with school districts, private schools, and home schools to match the festival experience with their water curriculum.

WATER INDUSTRY

Students have an opportunity to learn about the variety of water related career opportunities, as well as water rights, water in the human body, water conservation, water pollution, water safety, water species, water treatment, the dependency of water in a variety of industries, and much more.

HIGHER EDUCATION

For many students, the festival gives them their first opportunity to visit a college campus and therefore, introduces the idea of higher education. Students get to walk on the Colorado mesa University campus as well as experience what it is like to sit in a college classroom setting.

The Water Festival is a fun, educational experience for students and teachers. The Water Festival will engage students with topics such as water conservation, water chemistry, the water cycle, local water systems, species habitats, weather, water quality and ecology. Students will have fun with hands on activities while learning about local and global water issues.

The Water Festival has been scheduled for **Wednesday, May 1, 2019 at Fort Lewis College** in Durango. Southwestern Water Conservation District is covering the cost of the Water Festival; however, the schools will need to provide bus transportation! **** Please make sure to check with your school bus scheduler to make sure of your arrival and departure time.** The entire festival schedule for classes attending presentations is very tight and if you arrive late you will miss a presentation and will not be able to make it up. This goes for the Water Wizard as well! We want to make sure everyone has a great experience so timing is important.

**** If you are a teacher, presenter or volunteer and would prefer to register on-line, please [click here to register](#).**

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Fort Lewis College

Wednesday May 1, 2019 ~ 8:15 am - 3:00 pm

Registration Form

EACH INDIVIDUAL TEACHER will need to fill-out a registration form. Please do not register your entire 5th Grade Team under one registration form.

_____ Yes, my 5th grade class would like to attend the Water Festival **(IMPORTANT—please indicate anticipated: arrival _____ and departure _____ times**
**Please check with your school Transportation Supervisor to make sure of your arrival and departure times!

*Are you able to guide your own class to each presentation? _____ Yes _____ No

_____ No, my 5th grade class will not be attending the Water Festival

Name of School: _____

Teacher Full Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Teacher Email _____ Phone Number: _____

Number of Students per Class: _____

Number of Teachers + Chaperones: _____

NOTE TO TEACHERS:

You will have a lunch break from *approximately* 11:55 - 12:40 pm. Students should bring a sack lunch. If the weather is nice, they can eat outside. If the weather is not favorable, we will use the campus dining facilities as back-up. Also, due to the uncertainty of weather, students are encouraged to dress in layers and/or bring a change of clothes, as they may get wet during one or more of the presentations. Students must have adult supervision during the entire Festival.

You will receive a confirmation letter, a session tour schedule, and maps of Fort Lewis College a few weeks prior to the Water Festival. The tour schedule will indicate the times your group will attend the various presentations throughout the day. We encourage you to arrive 10-minutes early on the day of the festival so that you can check-in, meet your festival guide, and get to your first presentation on time.

RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED--

For scheduling purposes, please return this form by email (elaine@waterinfo.org) or mail no later than March 18th, 2019. Sooner the better! Thank you.

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