Since 1981, more than 22,000 educators (formal and non-formal) and youth leaders have participated in Project Learning Tree–Ohio professional development workshops. Ohio's PreK-12th grade youth benefit!

Award-winning Project Learning Tree (PLT) activity lessons use the FOREST as the window into our natural world so students can explore environmental issues that are important to them AND take positive action in the local community!

Attend – Host – Sponsor a PLT Educator Workshop and local youth will benefit. Educators attending a PLT environmental education workshop receive program materials. See scheduled workshops at www.plt.org "Workshops and Events" for Ohio. Also, check out http://www.ohiodnr.com/forestry/ or help plan one for your community.

Project Learning Tree's Mission:

- Increase students' understanding of our environment
- Stimulate students' critical and creative thinking
- Develop students' ability to make informed decisions regarding environmental issues
- Instill in students the confidence and commitment to take responsible action on behalf of the environment

Education Standards, both State and National, can be met by using PLT across the curriculum. See interactive state database http://www.ohiodnr.com/education/correlations/

Learn How to Think! Not What to Think!

This is what PLT is all about.

Volunteer Facilitators are key to the PLT-Ohio successful network of workshop leaders providing exciting, hands-on and minds-on workshops at little cost per participant. Various Ohio colleges integrate PLT in teacher-education programs or provide PLT in classes and workshops.

PLT's Newest Materials Environmental Experiences for Early Childhood Guide & CD uses the SENSES, SEASONS, & NEIGHBORHOODS in more than 130 experiences that engage children in outdoor play and exploration. It is for educators who work with children ages 3 to 6.

The Foundation of PLT is the PreK-8 Environmental Education Activity Guide with nearly 100 activity lessons.

PLT Energy & Society Kit has elementary and middle school students investigating issues related to energy. Order at www.plt.org

The PLT Secondary Modules challenge high school students to explore and take action in regard to the many facets of an environmental issue – illustrating the complexity of real-life decision making:

- Biodiversity (available at www.plt.org)
- Focus on Forests (new in 2011) highlights Forest Ecosystem issues
- Focus on Risk, with an on-line Biotechnology Supplement (at www.plt.org)
- Global Connections: Forests of the World
- Municipal Solid Waste
- Places We Live

GreenWorks! and GreenSchools! (see www.plt.org)
PLT's GreenWorks! Grants can help fund student-driven service-learning environmental-improvement projects. Register your site for PLT GreenSchools! and have "green teams" investigate and reduce the environmental footprint.

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