

Project E³

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PROJECT E³ FAQ:

What is Project E³?

Project E³ is an enrichment program that is an extension of the school year. Project E³ stands for Environmental & Engineering Sciences for Everyone which will use STEM to learn more about conservation.

Who can qualify to be part of Project E³?

Students who qualify for Project E³ would a high-average academic performance and potential to excel. Students who are culturally, linguistically, or socio-economically diverse or possibly lack access to or advocacy for resources, are highly encouraged to apply.

Students must be in grades 4, 5, or 6.

Students must be from Albert Lea, Austin, Lyle, Hayfield, or Southland Public School Districts.

When do students in Project E³ meet?

Meet 8 Saturdays during the academic year; 20 days during the summer [Monday through Thursday]

Saturday Classes:

November 1; December 6; January 10;
February 7; March 7; April 11; May 2 & 30
9:00 am-1:30 pm

Summer Classes:

June 15-18; 22-25
June 29-July 2; July 6-9; 13-16
9:00 am-1:30 pm

Where do students in Project E³ meet?

Students in Project E³ will meet in Austin; all students in each community will be offered free transportation and lunch.

How does Project E³ make learning engaging?

Project E³ will provide students with learning opportunities through engaging educational experiences; develop 'community scientists' that will put their new knowledge of the natural world to action in their communities; and motivate them to work at their highest potential throughout the year.

"Who polluted the Cedar?" - lessons include studying the Cedar and Shell Rock Water Sheds; mapping the water sheds from SE Minnesota to the Gulf of Mexico; research reasons why the Cedar River is being polluted and the effects it has on our communities; design systems to clean and filter polluted water; develop an action plan for their community to improve water quality

To learn more about Project E³, please watch this 8-minute presentation:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1qOJtdyHJ8w&feature=youtu.be>