



The Environmental Education Association of Oregon (EEAO)

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EEAO Inclusiveness Statement

The Environmental Education Association of Oregon (EEAO) works to ensure that all Oregonians have the opportunity to learn about and connect with the environment where they live and to actively participate in building healthy, sustainable communities.

We welcome and value the full participation of all Oregonians in environmental education. EEAO defines diversity in its broadest sense and welcomes people of all races, ethnicities, genders, sexual orientations, abilities, ages, national origins, socioeconomic status, religious affiliations, languages, heritages and interests to the environmental education field.

To be truly inclusive, EEAO commits to weaving equity throughout the entire association and in activities with affiliated partners. Recognizing the value of inclusiveness, equity and diversity, EEAO commits to:

- View inclusiveness, equity and diversity as an asset;
- Value the perspectives that different communities, cultures, and nationalities bring to the environmental education field;
- Integrate the ideals of multiculturalism, equity and sustainability into the practice of environmental education;
- View diversity in its broadest sense but make marginalized communities a top priority;
- Advance mutually generative benefits for all members, partners and communities;
- Intentionally cultivate relationships with all stakeholders;
- Act as allies for those whose voices are not heard;
- Promote equal access to environmental education, and
- Expand our perspectives of environmental education to include health, social and environmental impacts.