

Youth Imagine a Resilient Future:

Imagine, innovate, implement and share at **The Youth Resilience Expo**



Hampton Roads is experiencing challenges from the rising seas and flooding and we need YOUTH to create innovative solutions as we learn to adapt to the water and become resilient. The Elizabeth River Project will showcase student's projects addressing these issues at the Youth Resilience Expo.

Seeking Schools to Implement Resilient Projects that address flooding and reducing carbon footprint

WHO: Student teams of any size can participate; 5 students and a teacher attend the Youth Resilience Expo on Sat. Feb. 29 from 9-1pm at Norfolk Botanical Gardens

WHAT: Choose investigative questions such as:

- How can our school capture and reuse rain water?
- How can our school address flooding and/or reduce runoff pollution?
- How do we encourage resilience action?
- What can our school do to reduce our carbon footprint?

Schools should implement their idea, measure results and share at the Youth Resilience Expo. Students are encouraged to think out-of-the box. Expo presentations may include models, posters, videos, etc. Some groups may be asked to present.

HOW:

September: A lead teacher schedules a 45 min. meeting, during their resource hour for a project overview and planning session with Elizabeth River Project's Sarah McBride.

October 12: Attend a teacher workshop at Paradise Creek Nature Park to learn about the Elizabeth River, how to create a resilient community and more. (Limited to 25 teachers; K-12)

Oct.-February Implement a project that addresses a challenge and measures results. Limited funding for projects and native plant supplies may be available. Contact Sarah McBride.

February 17: Project Deadline. Submit summary (100 words or less)

February 29: Each team, represented by a lead teacher and 5 students, will showcase their work at the Youth Resilience Expo on February 29th from 9-1pm at Norfolk Botanical Gardens to share their results.

Awards: Elizabeth River Project will recognize you as a Resilient River Star School!

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