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A Weekly Compilation of Environmental Education News from Across Louisiana

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SAVE THE DATE

The Environmental Education State Symposium is scheduled for February 27-28, 2015 at the Baton Rouge Marriott. The theme for the upcoming conference is "Biodiversity in our World." As in previous years, we will offer a number of short courses on the opening day of the conference, followed by a day of breakout sessions. Keep checking <http://www.wlf.louisiana.gov/louisiana-environmental-education-symposium> for updates as we publish them.

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THIS WEEK AT INTERIOR

Find out the latest projects going on at the U.S. Department of the Interior on their informative YouTube channel. This week, studies show that national parks continue to be economic engines in their local communities, the USGS is testing the use of satellites to track polar bear movements in the Arctic and more.



For more information, visit the [This Week at Interior YouTube channel](#).

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

TOSHIBA AMERICA GRANTS

Toshiba invites K-5 teachers to apply on-line for a \$1,000 Toshiba America Foundation grant to help bring an innovative hands-on project into their own classroom.

Grant applications are due on October 1, 2014. Find out more and submit an application at the [Toshiba America website](#).

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SCHOLASTIC TIPS AND TRICKS

Scholastic is more than just a resource for books (though they still do that, too!). Check out this helpful list of 100 classroom organization tips and tricks. With a list this long, there's bound to be a few that are new to you.

Tip categories include: Rethink Your Room, Free (or Almost Free) Supplies, Tame that Paperwork, Keep Tech Organized and more.

Visit the Scholastic tips website at <http://www.scholastic.com/teachers/article/100-classroom-organizing-tricks>.



Got tips you'd like to share?
Email us at
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BACK TO SCHOOL GUIDE

The National Education Association has published a handy, comprehensive guide for back-to-school planning. Sections include: Classroom Setup, Prepping for the First Week, Classroom Management, Working With Parents, Year-long Support and (perhaps most importantly) Keeping a Sense of Humor. Written by the editorial staff at NEA, this article is a helpful reminder that there's a big community of educators out there getting ready for fall, too.

Find the guide at <http://www.nea.org/tools/back-to-school-guide.html>.

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