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SAVE THE DATE FOR OUR 2016 ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION STATE SYMPOSIUM

Join us **February 19-20, 2016** at the Baton Rouge Marriott for a plethora of fun, hands-on, environmentally-based educational opportunities while we show you how to "Explore the Natural World" with your students! Earn CLUs, network with educators and local scientists, and go home with great ideas for your classroom.

The event is hosted by the Louisiana Environmental Education Commission, the Louisiana Environmental Education Association and the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries.

For More Information, visit the symposium website at <http://www.wlf.louisiana.gov/louisiana-environmental-education-symposium>, and [find the Save the Date flyer here](#).



[Add this event to your Google Calendar.](#)

Top row: (left) Enjoy a day-long short course focusing on a single subject Friday, Feb. 19 and (right) connect with other educators from around the state.



Bottom row: (left) Visit the exhibit hall to find new information and resources and (right) attend hour-long concurrent sessions on Saturday, Feb. 20.

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New Orleans photographer Steven Liffmann recently captured a rare sight. He snapped dozens of stunning images of fifteen brown boobies visiting Lake Pontchartrain.

Lucky for us, he's shared a [gallery of the images](#) on the web.



AS IF SMOKING WASN'T BAD ENOUGH ...

Did you know that **Tobacco products comprise roughly 38% of ALL U.S. roadway litter?** Paper (22%) and plastic (19%) are the next largest percentages of litter on roads and highways.

Source: [Keep America Beautiful](#)

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GREEN SCHOOLYARDS AMERICA RELEASES 2015 ACTIVITY GUIDE

[Green Schoolyards America](#), a national organization that aims to expand and strengthen the green schoolyard movement and empower Americans to become stewards of their school and neighborhood environments, has released the 2015 Living Schoolyard Month Activity Guide. Developed by Green Schoolyards America in collaboration with input from 40+ organizations who contributed a wide range of ideas, the guide is meant to help educators bring students outside and use their school grounds to their fullest.

[Find the pdf guide here.](#)

DOWNLOAD THE GREEN SCHOOLS NATIONAL NETWORK "GREENPRINT" GUIDE

Becoming a green school is not a prescribed journey; it is a series of conscious actions that lead to more ecological and sustainable practices. By using the "GreenPrint™" as a road map, leaders, teachers and students, can begin to implement core practices immediately.

Find the "GreenPrint" at <https://greenschoolsnationalnetwork.org/downloads/GreenPrint.pdf>

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