

# NCF-ENVIROTHON

The Envirothon is North America's largest high school environmental education competition. Reaching more than 500,000 students across North America annually, the Envirothon succeeds in its mission to develop knowledgeable, skilled, and dedicated citizens who are willing and prepared to work towards achieving a balance between the quality of life and the quality of the environment.

## WHAT IS THE ENVIROTHON?

The Envirothon is a hands-on environmental problem-solving competition for high school-aged students in the United States and Canada. Participating teams complete training and testing in five natural resource categories: i.e., soils/landuse, aquatic ecology, forestry, wildlife, and current environmental issues.

The Envirothon works in partnership with local conservation districts, forestry associations, educators, and cooperating natural resource agencies to organize and conduct competitions on the local, regional, state, and/or provincial level. Winning teams from each state and province advance to the North American Envirothon for an opportunity to compete for recognition, scholarships, and prizes.

## BENEFITS

*"Envirothon is a powerful educational opportunity that engages students and provides them with the skill and knowledge to ensure our environment will be left in caring hands."*

**- Rick Wowchuk, Educator - Swan River, Manitoba**



Combining in-class curriculum and hands-on field experiences, the Envirothon program is an excellent way to supplement environmental education inside and outside the traditional classroom.

Envirothon participants gain valuable knowledge and training in ecology and natural resource management principles and practices. Many students step away from the Envirothon experience excited about learning and motivated to pursue careers in environmental studies, environmental law, natural sciences, and natural resource management.

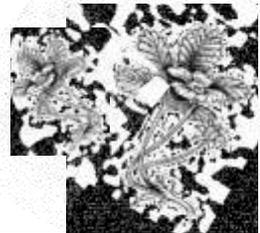
*"... the lessons I learned from my Envirothon experience won me a full scholarship to college, paid for me to go to 21 countries on 6 continents, and locked me in with some of my best friends to this day."*

**—Michelle Henry, Pennsylvania- Envirothon Alumna**

The Envirothon is not only a valuable learning experience -IT'S A LOT OF FUN!

With the Envirothon, students have the opportunity to get "up-close and personal" with North America's natural resources. Envirothon groups participate in hands-on learning activities delivered by natural resource professionals and attend field trips to state/provincial parks, natural history museums, nature centers, zoos, aquaria, and other natural resource sites.

*"Our participants are currently seen as an exceptional pool of talented, high-value students, future citizens, leaders and employees."*



For further information on the program: [www.envirothon.org](http://www.envirothon.org)

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