



Connecting FOSS to  
Northern Arizona

**Valerie Grimmett:** Kinsey Elementary, Flagstaff, AZ:  
928-773-4060  
Curriculum designer for these place-based modifications

**Arboretum of Flagstaff:** Steve Yoder or Nancy Nahstoll  
928-774-1442

[arbor@flagstaff.az.us](mailto:arbor@flagstaff.az.us)

[www.thearb.org](http://www.thearb.org)

A good place for field trips: see field trip sheet.

Take Rt. 66 West, pass Woodlands Village Road, keep going until you see Woody Mountain Campground. Big brown sign on right, take a left onto Woody Mountain Road. Follow the road for 4 miles of gravel. Arboretum is on the right.

Applicable programs: Wetland habitat (3<sup>rd</sup>), Flowers (4<sup>th</sup>), Forest Ecology (5<sup>th</sup>)

**City of Flagstaff:** Ellen Ryan 928-779-7624

[ellenrrr@hotmail.com](mailto:ellenrrr@hotmail.com) or [jkoehn@ci.flagstaff.az.us](mailto:jkoehn@ci.flagstaff.az.us)

Can assist in building a composting area for the school. Also can schedule a tour of their compost demonstration site or Recycling/Landfill tours.

**Coconino National Forest:** Suzanne Romero

928-214-2439

[Suzanne.Romero@fs.fed.us](mailto:Suzanne.Romero@fs.fed.us) [www.fs.fed.us/r3/coconino](http://www.fs.fed.us/r3/coconino)

On-site, in-school and off-site (field trip) programs.

Possible themes for this kit: "Fire's role in the ecosystem" and "Forest health".

Many free or purchasable materials

Materials for checkout.

**Community Garden:**

Scott Winter 928-226-8946

Tara Ruscher 928-773-0344

**Flagstaff Science Resource Center:** Penny Planeta

928-773-4160

Science equipment for Flagstaff teachers. Order live animals through Penny Planeta.

Take Rt. 66 East near mall, take a right at Railhead Ave. then a left at Dodge. Right on Penstock. 5488 Penstock. Second entrance, last door on the east side.



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**Northern Arizona Environmental Education Resource Center: NAEERC: 928-523-1651**

[www.nau.edu/~envsci](http://www.nau.edu/~envsci)

A library and resource center for teachers interested in environmental/science education. Call with questions, visit to check out books, games, videos or science equipment.

Northern Arizona University. Physical Sciences Building (#19) Room 111.

**Grand Canyon National Park: Jacob Fillion**

928-638-7776

[Jacob\\_Fillion@nps.gov](mailto:Jacob_Fillion@nps.gov)     [www.nps.gov/grca/education/](http://www.nps.gov/grca/education/)

On-site programs only. Junior Ranger program and Dynamic Earth program.

Free and purchasable materials: Teacher packets. Dynamic earth program (4-8), 4 hours long. Dynamic Earth is offered Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays during the school year; it begins at 9:00 a.m. and finishes at approximately 1:00 p.m. Program size is limited to 40 people, this includes a minimum of five chaperones. Educational groups participating in park environmental education programs will not be required to pay an entrance fee for the park

**Petrified Forest National Park: Michael Stuckey**

928-524-6228 ext. 233

[Michael\\_Stuckey@nps.gov](mailto:Michael_Stuckey@nps.gov)     [www.nps.gov/pefo](http://www.nps.gov/pefo)

On-site and in-school Science in our parks programs:  
Grade Four – Archaeology

**Museum of Northern Arizona: Rachel Edelstein**

928-774-5211 ext. 241

[redelstein@mna.mus.az.us](mailto:redelstein@mna.mus.az.us)     [www.musnaz.org](http://www.musnaz.org)

On-site, in-school and off-site programs:

Docent-led tours:

Nature Trail and Pond Ecology (2nd-8th grade)

Owl Pellets (3rd-6th grade) 1.5-2 Hours; in classroom only

Math in Nature: "Pineapples to Bellybuttons" (4th - 8th grade) 1-1.5 Hours

Fine Arts (2nd - 12th grade) 1-2 hours



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**Grand Canyon Youth:** Melissa Jurgensen and Jon Hirsh  
928-773-7921

Off-site programs: River trips down the San Juan and Colorado Rivers, themes focusing on geology, ecology, and anthropology of San Juan and Colorado Rivers, low impact camping, youth community involvement and youth team building.

**Flagstaff Unified School District:** Cameron Kern  
928-527-6109

[ckern@flagstaff.apscc.k12.az.us](mailto:ckern@flagstaff.apscc.k12.az.us)

On-site, in-school and off-site (field trip) programs: Project LIFE, week-long experience, Slide shows and presentations on various aspects of environmental and outdoor education, cross-country skiing, winter ecology, rock climbing, geology of Oak Creek, Geology/Hydrology hike.  
Check-out materials

**Resource Center for Environmental Education:**

**RCEE:** Glo Edwards and Mary Layman.  
928-779-1745

[Glo\\_Edwards@msn.com](mailto:Glo_Edwards@msn.com)

[www.nred.org/coconino/RCEE.htm](http://www.nred.org/coconino/RCEE.htm)

In-school and off-site (field trip) programs.

Free and purchasable materials: Posters, curriculum materials and information.

Grants/funding: Offer assistance to teachers writing grants for environmental projects. The RCEE and the Coconino NRCD offer scholarships for teachers to attend workshops.

An organization that will lead field trips and do presentations for your class. Presentations that would work for this kit:

- Living things count (4-8)
- Schoolyard safari (K-2)
- Range and ranching (K-8)
- Seeds (K-5)
- Grasses galore (4-6)
- Tropical rainforests (3-12)
- Uses of plants (3-12)
- Alien plant invaders (3-6)
- Old Caves Crater Botany Kit