

Whether studying Lake Champlain or a small stream in your neighborhood, **Watershed for Every Classroom** (WEC) will prepare you to engage your students in meaningful watershed studies. Teachers will learn new skills of inquiry and observation and consider how they will best bring their new knowledge to their own classroom. In the WEC program, the CBEI partners emphasize their firm commitment to 1) quality time in the field with experts; 2) the establishment of community connections; 3) experiential learning; and 4) reflection.

#### 2012-13 AGENDA

## Summer Meeting: Monday, July 9 - Friday, July 13

Monday: Shelburne Farms

**Focus:** Getting to know each other and exploring "big ideas" of learning in a watershed!

Paddle the LaPlatte to investigate: How has this river changed over time?

Tuesday: Mt Philo and Shelburne Road

**Focus:** How has this place changed over time?

Overview of Watershed with expert geologist and exploration of suburban environment to consider: "Humans, Natural Places and Hidden Stories"

Wednesday: Lake Champlain Maritime Museum,

**Focus**: What is the history of the Lake Champlain region?

Explore the Lake Champlain Maritime Museum, lakeshore habitat and paddle long boats!

**Thursday\*:** Ausable River Watershed & overnight in Adirondacks **Focus:** Human Impacts on the Basin: Economics and Water Quality.

Journey into the Adirondacks to explore historical land use practices. Overnight accommodations and dinner included in registration fee.

Friday: AuSable River watershed

**Focus**: The trip of the drip!

Explore from the highest elevation to the lowest. Water-testing, issue analysis and investigations.







## Fall Meeting: Friday, October 19\* & Saturday, October 20

Friday: Kill Kare State Park/Rocky Point Museum at St Albans Bay,

Wastewater Treatment Plant tour, Rainville and Choinière Farms. Dinner and overnight at Euro Spa

Saturday: Euro Spa - Curriculum Workshop

Missisquoi National Wildlife Refuge - Habitat or Invasives Field Work. Closing Reflection

**Focus:** Exploring the Northern Tier: Human Impact



#### Winter Meeting: Friday, February 8 & Saturday, February 9

**Friday:** Main Street Landing, Burlington. Conference: Change Over Time - Exploring the Interwoven Stories of the Burlington Waterfront.

Saturday: Ethan Allen Homestead

Curriculum Workshop and Exporation of Intervale

**Focus:** Changing Urban Landscape



# Spring Meeting: Friday, May 3\* & Saturday, May 4

**Friday: Grand Isle Lake House** Birding and Phenology, Final Curriculum Work, Dinner w/Slide Show, Night time nature walk!

Saturday: 8:00 AM - 12:30 PM: Grand Isle Lake House

Complete Evaluations, Nature walk and journaling with Alicia Daniels

**Focus:** Reflection and celebration!



\*Overnight accommodations and dinner included in the \$400 registration fee.

NOTE: All participants are asked to design a unit or action plan for their classroom (or organization). During the year there is time to work collaboratively on unit design and share new ideas. Readings and journal responses are assigned throughout the program. Partners will provide support throughout the year with resources, curriculum coaching, and classroom visits.