



## **DCEEC Membership**

As of December 2005, the District of Columbia Environmental Education Consortium (DCEEC) will begin collecting membership dues. Dues will be used for the benefit of all DCEEC members including (but not restricted to) the DCEEC website, the publication of DC Naturally, DCEEC teacher and member professional development events and general operating costs. Dues will be paid on an annual, calendar year basis.

DCEEC membership benefits include:

- Access to networks of educators, program providers, decision makers and grantors/donors
- A cohesive voice to DCPS on issues such as Teaching and Learning Standards, schoolyard greening and “meaningful watershed experiences”
- Access to outreach networks including the DCEEC email listserv, Web sites, and school liaisons
- Opportunities to develop joint grant proposals
- Listing on DCEEC general Web site and other literature.

Teacher members will have the additional benefit of having access to transportation funds for student field studies and grant funds for professional development when these funds are available.

### **Organizational Membership**

Organizational members will have their organization’s logo and a link to their website listed on the DCEEC website. An organizational membership procures one vote. The dues of non-governmental organizations (NGOs) and government divisions are based on their annual budget:

Under \$500,000 - \$100 per calendar year

Over \$500,000 - \$200 per calendar year

### **Individual Membership**

Individual members will have their name and their organization (if requested) listed on the DCEEC website. An individual membership procures one vote. Individuals not directly affiliated with an organization, or those who are unable to join through their organization/division are invited to join as an individual for \$25.

Teachers have the option of joining the DCEEC teacher’s listserv for FREE. Otherwise, they may join the organization as an individual for \$25.

### **Voting Policy:**

DCEEC has adopted a one membership, one vote policy. Each membership, whether it is an organizational or individual, secures one vote. There will be no weighing of votes; all votes are equal.

The following will be expected of DCEEC members:

- Regular meeting attendance
- Implement the mission and goals of DCEEC
- Participate in a committee or work group
- Pay dues in a timely fashion
- Nominate and vote for elected officers.

Members who fail to pay dues in a timely fashion will lose their vote and will be removed from the DCEEC website and listserv. It is required that at least one representative from each member organization, as well each individual member, serve on a Committee.



## Yes! I would like to become a member of DCEEC!

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

Organization \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

On which Committee would you like to serve?

Ways & Means  Member Education  Teacher Outreach  Schoolyard Greening

**Membership Type:** (Circle One)      Organizational      Individual

*For Organizational Memberships, please list the name, title, and email of other staff who would like access to the DCEEC Yahoo! Group listserv and Web site:*

Staff 1: \_\_\_\_\_

Staff 2: \_\_\_\_\_

Staff 3: \_\_\_\_\_

**Dues Amount:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please make your check payable to "DCEEC."

Send your payment to:

Bill Simpkins

c/o The National Aquarium in Washington, DC

Commerce Building, Room B-077

14th and Constitution Avenue, NW

Washington, DC 20230

On your check, please include a memo of "DCEEC Dues".

The Employer Identification Number for DCEEC is 26-1776196.

Dues will be considered paid for one year from the date they are received.

All funds drawn from this account will be drawn in accordance with the DCEEC funds request guidelines. A request form will need to be completed with two signatures - one from a DCEEC president and the other from the DCEEC Treasurer. For further details, reference the "Guidelines for Requesting DCEEC Funds" which can be found on the DCEEC Yahoo! Group Web site.