



Maryland Outdoor Learning Partnership (OLP) Networks Working Group Meeting Minutes

Date and Time: Friday, June 13, 2025, 11:00-11:30 AM

Attendees: Bart Merrick, Zachary Carey, Stephanie Tuckfield, Jemima Clark, Shannon Sprague, Olivia Wisner

Member Updates

- MAEOE
 - o Hosting the Maryland Higher Education Environmental Literacy Summit 2025 at Towson University today. This summit is a collaboration between the Higher Education Environmental Literacy (HEEL) Team, the Maryland Association for Environmental and Outdoor Education (MAEOE), and Baltimore–Towson University (BTU).
 - o Summit Theme: “Empowering educators, cultivating stewards: Bridging campus and community through environmental education”
 - o Summit Details: Join the Higher Education Environmental Literacy (HEEL) 2025 summit, where college and university faculty specializing in preservice teacher education converge with nonformal environmental education providers. This unique gathering aims to foster collaboration and innovation to enhance environmental education within Maryland teacher preparation programs. Together, we'll explore new strategies, share best practices, and forge partnerships to ensure future educators are equipped to inspire the next generation of environmental stewards.
- MSDE



- Soliciting public comment on the proposed revisions to the Career and Technical Education (CTE) content standards. The public comment period for the Career and Technical Education (CTE) content standards opened on May 15, 2025, and will close on June 16, 2025. Anyone who wishes to comment on the proposed revisions to the Career and Technical Education (CTE) content standards should submit comments by completing the public comment form no later than June 16, 2025. Any questions regarding the form can be sent via email to occpcteprograms.msde@maryland.gov.

- DNR

- Accepting applications for the 2025 Explore the Patuxent Teen Leadership Paddle. Visit teenpaddle.com for more information.

- NOAA

- Hosting an Elementary Teachers Listening Session and Paddle on July 8th