

The State of Maryland



Proclamation

From the Governor of the State of Maryland

**ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION WEEK
APRIL 22 - 26, 2019**

- WHEREAS,** *Environmental Education embraces knowledge and appreciation of a variety of disciplines - all sciences, including biology, chemistry, geology, environmental, agricultural; social studies including geography, history, civics, government, and economics; as well as language arts, mathematics, engineering, fine arts, and technology - to develop positive attitudes and necessary skills to participate responsibly in environmental decision-making; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Environmental Education includes the interdisciplinary understanding of local, state, regional, national and global environmental issues, including air, water and soil quality, human and environmental health and justice; bio-diversity; habitat protection and restoration; land use, energy; sustainable development; and climate change; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Exploration and enjoyment of the outdoors, both as part of a formal education program as well as an unstructured, recreational activity - is critical to understanding and protecting Maryland's natural resources, and to improving children's health; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Environmental Education continues to gain support from individuals, citizens, schools, higher education, nonprofit organizations, government agencies and commercial enterprises as we face new and changing challenges.*

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LAWRENCE J. HOGAN, JR., GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, do hereby proclaim APRIL 22 - 26, 2019 as ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION WEEK in Maryland and commend this observance to all of our citizens.



Given Under My Hand and the Great Seal of the State of Maryland,
this 22nd day of April
Two Thousand and nineteen

Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr.
Governor

Byrd H. Lathrop
Lt. Governor

John C. Waberski
Secretary of State