

What is Rivers2Lake?

We live on the shores of the largest lake on Earth. Bring 10% of Earth's freshwater into your classroom!

Supportive training, collaborative mentoring and financial resources help teachers provide inquiry-based and outdoor experiences for students.

What will I experience in the Rivers2Lake program?

In the summer, join a group of teachers traveling the length of the St. Louis River to Lake Superior, gaining scientific, historic, and cultural knowledge of our region. Build your skills in outdoor education. Experienced teachers, scientists, and natural resource experts join us along the way. During the school-year, bi-monthly support of Rivers2Lake mentors help you bring Lake Superior into your curriculum. Rivers2Lake is designed to be integrated- not just in science but in all the core subjects, helping you to meet objectives while improving student learning and engagement.

What are the program requirements?

Attend the Summer Institute from **July 31-August 3, 2018** as well as one additional training day in mid-winter. With help from Rivers2Lake staff, you'll create a plan to incorporate the watershed into your curriculum. Work with a mentor to plan regular outdoor experiences that enhance student understanding of the Lake Superior Watershed. At the end of the year, help students create a public presentation to share their learning.

What are the program benefits?

After you complete the one-year program, you'll receive a stipend of \$500. You also receive \$120 worth of materials of your choice that help you teach outdoors, and you'll have access to Reserve water quality kits, snowshoes, waders and more. Funding is provided for two off-site student field experiences per year (\$400) and for an on-water boat experience, as well as student admission to the Great Lakes Aquarium. Teachers are eligible to receive graduate or undergraduate credit from UW-Superior at a reduced cost.

How do I get involved?

Applications must be emailed to the Lake Superior Reserve by **Tuesday, May 1, 2018**. Participants are selected based on demonstrated dedication to professional development and interest in environmental or outdoor education, Lake Superior, or the St. Louis River. In 2018, applications are expected to be competitive due to limited space in the program.

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To obtain an application, visit our website at www.rivers2lake.org and follow the link.



RIVERS 2 Lake

Utilizing the Lake Superior watershed and the St. Louis River as a foundation for learning



Improved learning through outdoor and environmental education.

Using the environment as a context for learning improves student scores and retention in science, math and reading while enhancing student engagement. Rivers2Lake will help you do it!



Professional development through field experiences and year-long support.

Rivers2Lake provides hand-on outdoor learning experiences with the regular support of a professional mentor. Mentors help integrate environmental learning into your curriculum, meeting your individual classroom needs.



Extended resources and support for you and your classroom.

Rivers2Lake provides funding for student field experiences and outdoor education resources for teachers to use in their schools. Participating teachers receive a stipend and can use water quality kits, snowshoes and more from the Lake Superior National Estuarine Research Reserve.

Join us!

The Lake Superior Reserve is a national organization dedicated to research, stewardship and education on the shores of the St. Louis River and Lake Superior. We are currently seeking applications for Rivers2Lake from regional PK-12 educators.



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