

Forest Education Foundation Strategic Plan

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Mission Statement

Develop teacher and student knowledge about forest landscapes by providing educational opportunities that explore forest environments, resources and the future role of forests.







Guiding Principles

- Encourage and support teachers to explore forest education opportunities within the curriculum.
- Support teachers and students to understand the complex systems involved in managing forest landscapes, considering the social, economic and environmental values of forests.
- Provide opportunities for students to make connections between their personal interests, strengths, career possibilities and their interaction with forest landscapes.
- Encourage teachers and students to appreciate the importance of forests and make informed decisions about the future of forest environments and forest resources.

Educational Goals:

Provide high quality educational experiences and resources addressing:

- What is a forest?
- Why are forests important?
- How do we interact with forest landscapes?
- What role do we play in the future of forests?

















Strategic Plan Key Objectives:

- 1. Provide high quality resources and programs
- 2. Develop and implement new approaches to teaching and learning
- Encourage teacher and student action towards building forest competency
- 4. Strengthen and foster networks and partnerships

Key Objective 1: Provide high quality resources and programs

- Regularly evaluate and improve programs.
- Develop new teaching and learning resources.
- Effectively introduce new resources, including teacher professional learning, promotion, dissemination and evaluation.















Key Objective 2: Develop and implement new approaches to teaching and learning

- Participate in professional learning opportunities to improve delivery and support new program pathways.
- Develop a Forest Competency Plan- a conceptual framework for educating about forests and encouraging teachers and students to be forest literate.
- Develop strategies to support program communication, including the development of effective delivery models.
 - Review the structure of programs to support Educational Goals and improve outcomes.
 - Develop strategies to utilise environmental/forest education models.
 - Develop approaches to communicate land management and wood product messages.







Key Objective 3: Encourage teacher and student action towards building forest competency

- Develop resources to support teacher implementation of school-based programs.
- Produce post and pre-visit resources and experiences.
- Develop processes to evaluate student and teacher action, as a result of participating in programs.
- Provide opportunities for students to understand and participate in decision making processes concerning our forest environments and forest resources.

Key Objective 4: Strengthen and foster networks and partnerships

- Explore new opportunities for networks and partnerships.
- Reinforce key stakeholder relationships.
- Establish a teacher network that supports access and delivery of forest competency.
 - Offer professional learning opportunities to selected advocate teachers across the state to facilitate the implementation of forest learning in schools.
- Collaborate with contributors and partners.
 - Deliver multidisciplinary workshop and field experiences for preservice teachers with the University of Tasmania.
 - Collaborate with stakeholders to deliver Work Exposure Opportunities.









The Forest Education Foundation Inc. (FEF) is a not-for-profit educational institution staffed by qualified and experienced teachers. The Foundation has been providing learning experiences for teachers and students throughout Tasmania for over 25 years (K-12 and beyond).

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