

Envirothon Important Dates

IT IS THAT TIME AGAIN. Time to plan the 15th annual Broward County Envirothon for Broward Public, Private and Charter High School Students. **The Envirothon is proudly sponsored by the Environmental Education Council of Broward County (EEC) in partnership with the Broward Schools. The event will take place on Wednesday, January 20, 2010 at Snyder Park in Fort Lauderdale.** The Regional Envirothon program is designed to test senior high school students' knowledge of natural resources in five categories: soil, forestry, wildlife, water resources and current environmental issues. The theme for this year is **"Protection of ground water through urban, agricultural and environmental planning."**

Representatives from the Florida Association of Conservation, Florida Department of Agriculture, International Game Fish Association, South Florida Water Management District, Science Eye, Division of Forestry, Broward Parks and Recreation and Broward Environmental Education Council will design the test questions and guide students during the competition.

The overall goal of the competition is to cultivate a desire to learn more about our state's natural environment. Participants are provided with hands-on experience in environmentally oriented activities that will enable them to become aware, action-oriented adults. Teams of five students will represent their school in the Envirothon competition. **There will be a \$20 registration fee per each member in attendance and chaperones.** District finalists will compete in the state Envirothon and the state champion team will then represent Florida in the National Envirothon competition. Lunch and shirts will be provided.

Please inform your students of this unique environmental education opportunity. Schools can have 2 teams competing. Registration is done Online at: <http://www.browardeec.org/Envirothon.html>. The Check should be made out to EEC Broward and sent to Mrs. Patricia Crawley by November 6, 2009. As soon as teams are registered, information packets will be sent to each team sponsor. If you have questions, please contact Patricia Crawley at 754- 321-1880. Let's make this an event to remember.