

Classroom Membership Form

Please fill out the following information . The prices for classroom memberships are as follows:

- ◆ Pre-K through 4th grade: \$4.50 per student (minimum \$90 per classroom)
- ◆ Fifth and Sixth grade: \$7.00 per student (minimum \$140 per classroom)

Once this form is completed, please return along with membership fee to Aubrey Wright via email at a.wright@copeenvironmental.org or mail to 4910 Shoemaker Rd, Centerville, IN, 47330. ONE Form per classroom, please.

Teacher Name: _____

School Name: _____

School Address: _____

School Phone #: _____ **Email Address:** _____

Home Address: _____

Home Phone: _____

Number of Students in Classroom: _____ **Grade Level of Classroom:** _____

Field trips of interest: _____

Outreach Programs of Interest: _____

Questions or concerns regarding your programs and field trips for the coming year: _____

Suggestions and Ideas for future program offerings and opportunities at CEC:

“This [Classroom Membership] was a huge benefit to our Science instruction. They had real experiences to share, especially during the plant and animal studies.” Classroom Member Teacher 2004 - 2005

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And additional information

Why did Cope Environmental Center increase their program fees?

Cope Environmental Center is a private, not-for-profit organization supported solely by private donations, memberships, program fees, and limited grants. These donations help subsidize the true cost of programs. Without them, students fees would easily exceed \$7 per child. Some years, though we work hard to keep fees to a minimum, we must introduce slight increases in programming fees to keep up with the cost of delivering high quality environmental education. We encourage you to consider cost-saving measures such as the Classroom Membership and the Get on the Bus Fund. If, for any reason, you are still unable to afford a trip to Cope Environmental Center, please don't hesitate to call. We can help you look for possible business sponsorship opportunities so that your students can experience hands-on science at CEC!

Why has CEC developed a new policy on limiting the amount of students here at one time?

To ensure a quality educational experience for your class or group, CEC is only able to accommodate groups of 50 students or less at one time. If you must bring a larger group, CEC requires you to provide one or two experienced individuals willing to lead an activity. Due to limited facilities, staff, and volunteers, we absolutely cannot accommodate groups larger than 80. If at anytime you have any questions, please call us at 765-855-3188 or e-mail Aubrey Wright at a.wright@copeenvironmental.org.

Why should our classroom become members? What are the benefits?

The creation of CEC's Classroom Membership was to encourage classrooms to have repeat visits to Cope Environmental Center. Repeat visits increase information retention and allow for a better understanding of our natural world.

The classroom membership has many benefits to ensure a great year of experiences for your classroom! Some of these benefits include: *(prices are listed on opposite side)*

- ⇒ 2 field trip visits to Cope Environmental Center- one fall and one spring (Maple Syrup trips are an additional \$1.00 per student).
- ⇒ 5 copies of our *Evergreen* newsletter (quarterly) with special teacher and student inserts.
- ⇒ A \$10 discount on Outreach Programs (discount only applies to first program if you schedule a series in one day).
- ⇒ Membership access to *Enchanted Learning* website which allows you to view the **entire** website. You can find a membership form on the opposite side or go to www.CopeEnvironmental.org.

Please Remember:

- ⇒ **We are flexible and open to new ideas!**
- ⇒ **We are able to design a field trip experience catered to your needs.**
- ⇒ **We are able to work one on one with you to develop special programs and/or partnerships with your classroom/school.**
- ⇒ **CEC is here for your relaxation, too! Trails are open 7 days a week from dawn to dusk!**

Thank you and have a great school year!