



PENNSYLVANIA ENVIROTHON

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2023 PENNSYLVANIA ENVIROTHON VOLUNTEER INFORMATION PACKET

Important Dates to Remember

Virtual Oral Component May 17th-19th

Field Testing Event May 24th

Deadline to Register as a volunteer is March 24th.

Assignments will be emailed to volunteers by April 21st.

Volunteer Registration, Deadlines, and Submission Information

To Register as a Pennsylvania Envirothon Volunteer, please visit

www.envirothonpa.org/registration/

ALL Volunteers must complete the following forms and information:

- Volunteer Commitment – Online registration Pennsylvania Envirothon website, click [Registration](#).
- Volunteer clearances (PSP Criminal History and Child Abuse History Clearances**) – send a copy to paenvirothon1@gmail.com or upload with registration materials.

Pennsylvania Envirothon Volunteers include, but are not limited to the following: team advisors, coaches, and chaperones, staff, and event volunteers.

Copies of the following clearances must be submitted to the Pennsylvania Envirothon prior to being considered as an Envirothon volunteer.

- Pennsylvania State Police Criminal History Clearance - Can be obtained at <https://epatch.state.pa.us>
- Child Abuse History Clearance - Can be obtained at www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis

When assisting with the Pennsylvania Envirothon, certifications must be less than one (1) year old and must be renewed every 60 months from the date on your oldest certification. The applicant or employee is responsible for paying any cost associated with obtaining the certifications. Please black out social security numbers if they are displayed on any of the forms.

Further information on how to obtain clearances can be found at www.keepkidssafe.pa.gov.

Volunteer Responsibilities for the Pennsylvania Envirothon

The volunteer positions are listed below along with a general description of responsibilities and required time commitment.

Virtual Oral Component –May 17th- 19th 2023

Oral Component Judge – As a judge you will be asked to participate in judging up to six presentations at one of the four locations. The presentation will be a 10 recorded video, and there will be a ten-minute live Q&A with the team via Zoom, you will then have ten minutes to complete the scoring sheet before the next presentation. Prior to the event you will be required to attend virtually a training to review your responsibilities as a judge, the scoring sheet, and guidance on the Q&A session.

OC Scorers – At the Virtual OC event you will be responsible for the review and tallying of score sheets as the presentations are completed. You will check the score sheets for completeness and tally the scores and serve as a doublecheck for other scorers as well. You will be responsible for clarifying scores on site with judges if questions arise to ensure that a complete and accurate score for all presentations is completed by the end of the day.

Please make sure to indicate on the volunteer registration which of the three sites you are able to attend. Please review both the site and the day to make sure you are available. We need the highest number of volunteers May 18 at Snyder County.

*All **Virtual Oral Component Volunteers** will receive an email about their assignments and specific instructions for the day. Judges will be required to attend judges training on May 11th or view the recording. Virtual OC Volunteers should plan to arrive by 9:30 for a brief training, presentations and scoring and attend until about 3:00 pm.

FIELD TESTING EVENT VOLUNTEERS – May 24th, 2023

Station Travel Official – At the station testing, you will receive instructions from PA Envirothon Board members. As a station travel official you will be responsible for a group of teams. You will move them from station to station; accompany team members to restroom; monitor the group for any inconsistencies; etc. This responsibility requires a lot of walking with some hills to maneuver.

Food Service Volunteer – You will receive instructions from PA Envirothon Board members. As food service volunteers, you will be responsible to assist with the delivery of coffee, water, and lunch for all participants to all stations. You will also assist in setting up an afternoon snack for the participants. This will require some lifting and walking. Volunteers must be able to lift/carry up to 40 lbs.

Station Assistant – You will support the smooth operation of your assigned station. You will assist the station partner with clock management, and be the primary liaison between the station and the PA Envirothon Board should any questions, problems, or situations arise that are beyond the scope of the station partner. You should be familiar with the rules of the event and will be responsible for enforcing those rules. You may also be responsible for scoring or double checking scores to ensure accurate station test scores are submitted.

*All **Station Testing Day** volunteers will receive an email about their assignments and specific instructions for the testing day. **Time commitment – It is recommended that you report by 8:00 a.m. and prepare to stay until 4:30 p.m.**

ADDRESSES AND LOCATIONS OF VIRTUAL ORAL COMPONENT TESTING LOCATIONS

May 17th 9:30-3:00	May 18th 9:30-3:00	May 19th 9:30-3:00
Indiana County Conservation District 435 Hamil Road, Indiana, PA, 15701	Snyder County Conservation District 10541 Rt 522 Middleburg, PA 17842	Monroe County Conservation District 8050 Running Valley Road Stroudsburg, PA 18360

DIRECTIONS TO THE CAMP MT LUTHER – MAY 24TH FIELD TESTING EVENT

Mount Luther
 355 Mt. Luther Lane
 Mifflinburg, PA 17844

DIRECTIONS

Mount Luther is located in central Pennsylvania in Union County near Mifflinburg, Pennsylvania. We are about 15 miles from Lewisburg and about 45 miles from State College, midway between Mifflinburg and Hartleton. The camp is north of Route 45.

From the north (Williamsport and I-80), follow Route 15 South to Lewisburg and turn west on Route 45, and continue through Mifflinburg on Route 45. Continue on Route 45 W until you come to Christ's United Lutheran Church (about 3.5 miles outside of Mifflinburg) which will be on your left. Follow the directions below.

From the south, follow Route 15 to about 4 miles beyond Liverpool. Turn west on Route 104 and continue to Middleburg and then Mifflinburg. Turn west onto Route 45 at Mifflinburg and go about three miles until you come to Christ's United Lutheran. Follow the directions below.

From the west, follow Route 45 from State College through Hartleton. Continue on Route 45 E until you come to Christ's United Lutheran Church, which will be on your right.

FROM CHRIST'S UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH

If traveling on Route 45 West, you will turn right onto Pleasant Grove Road at the church. If traveling east, you will turn left onto Pleasant Grove Road. Look for the street signs. There are green and white signs with directional arrows for Mount Luther from the Lutheran Church all the way back to the camp. You will stay on Pleasant Grove Road until you come to Moll Road. There, you will take a left (again, there is a green and white sign at this "Y" in the road.) The camp is about 2.6 miles from Route 45.