

Environment-

Economy 

Education
Society of Ontario



...**manages** the development and delivery of environment-economy education programs and services across Ontario

...**coordinates** environment-economy education programming with other education organizations and school boards

...**promotes** quality, bias-balanced environment-economy education

Mission

We strive to empower all Ontario citizens to make informed choices about environment-economy issues through bias-balanced education.

Information about

WHO ARE WE?

E3 was formed in early 2002 by a group of dedicated and interested Ontario educators to focus on national and provincial issues related to energy, water, land and air supported in the Ontario curriculum. Issues are approached using a bias-balanced format by incorporating input and support from involved government, industry, and community interests, the model developed by Inside Education in Alberta. E3 is incorporated as a charity in Ontario with the Charitable Registration Number (CCRA) – 854498938R0001.

Currently, E3 is adding representatives to its board from industry, government (federal and provincial) and the community.

E3's professional education staff operates from Woodstock (between Kitchener and London). Educational resources are researched, written, piloted and delivered, along with services for teachers and students in their schools. In-service and pre-service programs are provided at workshops, meetings, conferences and summer institutes.

HOW ARE WE FUNDED?

E3 has been funded through a combination of donations and contract fees. Support from government agencies, industry and business, private and public foundations, and product sales and fees is currently being pursued. Generous support for startup has been made by the Foundation for Environmental Learning and Inside Education, who see the need and potential for this type of educational support in Ontario. A projected budget is available for projects being undertaken.

E3 programs emphasize

- ▶ a bias-balanced approach
- ▶ hands-on learning
- ▶ support of existing curriculum
- ▶ Education Research
- ▶ no or low-cost to the user

E3 programs will address

- ▶ **Energy** – issues related to the development and use of energy resources
- ▶ **Atmospheric Change** – issues related to atmospheric emissions from human activities
- ▶ **Water** – quality and supply issues, and management of resources
- ▶ **Pollution Prevention** – issues related to the prevention and management of waste and effluent
- ▶ **Developing Issues** – other environment-economy and environmental quality issues as they arise

Environment-Economy Educators' Planned Programs January 2004

Objectives

1. E3 will secure at least three existing, applicable education resources, adapt them to the Ontario market and deliver at least one to each of 500 teachers. The choice of resources include:
 - Electricity (Inside Education)
 - Petroleum (Inside Education)
 - Oil Sands (Inside Education)
 - Climate Changes (Inside Education)
2. E3 will develop and present at least one high level teacher professional development program to teacher-leaders selected from across Ontario. The program(s) will address one or both of the following topics:
 - Ontario's Water Resources
 - Ontario's Energy Future
3. In cooperation with a major environmental education organization, E3 will organize an education forum for teachers on climate change education resources and services available in Ontario.

Board of Directors

Executive Committee

Mr. Bruce Marshall, President – Secondary Educator
(Science & Co-operative Education)

Ms. Janet MacKay-Thompson, Vice President – Secondary
Educator (Science & Co-operative Education)

Mr. Neil Schlotzhauer, Secretary/Treasurer – Elementary
Educator and Principal

Mr. Bill Thompson, Executive Director, E3 – M.Sc., B.Ed.,
B.A./B.P.H.E. Background in Secondary Education (Out-
door, Adventure/Experiential and Environmental Educa-
tion, Biology and Co-operative Education)

Directors

Mr. Ron Renwick, Secondary Educator, Science
Department Head (Science & Mathematics)

...and Directors to be appointed

Classroom Resources

Classroom Presentations

Professional Development

Education Research

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