

# Great Lakes Watershed Field Course



**Inland Seas**  
EDUCATION ASSOCIATION

*A free professional development opportunity for teachers in the Great Lakes region.*



## What is the GLWFC?

Learn how to engage students in local environmental issues, investigate solutions, partner with stakeholders, and take action! The Great Lakes Watershed Field Course (GLWFC) is a yearlong collaboration that includes a 4-day, in-person professional development workshop and ongoing support during the 2026-2027 school year as you engage your students in environmental action civics and facilitate a student-led action project.

**Workshop Dates:** August 4-7, 2026

**Location:** Suttons Bay, MI

**Who Should Apply?** Educators in all subjects and grade levels.

## What's Included?

- Dormitory lodging
- Food during the four days in Suttons Bay
- Site visits in the Grand Traverse and Leelanau regions to learn about projects that are improving watershed health.
  - Note: Transportation to and from the workshop in Suttons Bay is not included
- Ongoing support during the 2026-27 school year
- A Schoolship scholarship (\$825 value)
- A mini-grant for stewardship action project implementation (up to \$300 value)

"I've been teaching for about 25 years and I can't remember the last time I entered a new school year with as much energy and enthusiasm as after this training."  
- 2025 Participant

## Timeline

<b>Application Opens</b>	February 25, 2026
<b>Applications Due</b>	April 13, 2026
<b>Notified of Acceptance</b>	April 24, 2026
<b>In-Person Workshop</b>	August 4-7, 2026
<b>Facilitation of Action Projects</b>	2026-27 School Year

## Application & More Information



[schoolship.org/GLWFC](https://schoolship.org/GLWFC)



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