

Partner Teachers, Save the Date!!!

Are you interested in becoming a Partner Teacher or continuing in the program for a new season? Would you like to be able to take your class to a **free** field trip to Minnesota Valley National Wildlife Refuge (NWR)? Imagine having your classroom set up for you in advance of your field trip. Interested? Here's how!

What is the Partner Teacher program?

This program is an integrative partnership between teachers and the MN Valley NWR where your class will come to the refuge for a field trip to learn through nature-based curriculum that meets MN State Standards of Education. Classes may come for up to 3 field trips throughout the Fall, Winter, and Spring season. There are no student fees and bus invoices are paid for through Refuge Friends, Inc.

Saturday, January 10th: Winter Training

****RSVP no later than January 5th****

Saturday, March 7th: Spring Training

****RSVP no later than March 2th****

11:00-12:00 pm: Orientation to the Refuge

This portion of training is for new partner teachers only. Become a partner teacher, learn about the resources available to your class i.e. microscopes, binoculars, etc. and explore our indoor/outdoor classrooms. Please bring a bagged lunch!

12:30-3:30 pm: Winter Training / Spring Training

This training is for everyone! In this portion of the training, the Partner Teacher Coordinator will model three highlighted curriculum for your future field trip. Snacks will be provided.



To **RSVP**, contact Chelsi Burns, the Partner Teacher Coordinator by the above RSVP dates:

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