In what ways does completing the ELIT Survey benefit your school district?

- Funding Alignment
- Tailored Professional Development & Technical Assistance
- Elevating District Best Practices
- Unlocking Community & Higher Education Partnerships

Funding Alignment

Some regional and state funders use ELIT data to support decision making about grant dollars, helping to ensure funds go where needs are highest.

Completing the survey ensures your district's specific resource gaps are visible, whether that means securing funding for student field experiences (including transportation costs), acquiring classroom materials, or building outdoor learning environments.

Tailored Professional Development & Technical Assistance

ELIT results shape free and low-cost regional professional learning offerings. When districts complete the survey, networks like the Chesapeake Bay Program Education Workgroup and state environmental literacy partners design professional development tailored directly to local needs rather than delivering "one-size-fits-all" training.

Elevating District Best Practices

The survey serves as a state-level platform to showcase successful local environmental education programs. Regional and state leaders use ELIT data to highlight high-performing districts as model programs, opening opportunities for district recognition, peer mentorship, and state-level storytelling.

Unlocking Community & Higher Education Partnerships

Environmental education organizations, universities, and community partners actively scan ELIT reports to find districts looking to build or expand programs. Completing the survey signals district interest and readiness, making your schools top candidates for external partnerships that frequently bring dedicated grant support, external expertise, and co-funded initiatives.

More questions about ELIT? >>

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