



Education Workgroup – October 2026

October 5, 2026
10:00-11:30am EST

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Purpose: The purpose of this meeting is to discuss state and regional capacity building updates, Environmental Literacy Indicator Tool (ELIT) survey progress, the 2027 Education Forum, CBP administrative updates, and the K12 CTE Action Team.

Agenda

Welcome & Introductions

10:00 – 10:15

State and Regional Capacity Building Updates – If you have updates that are relevant to the Education Workgroup membership (i.e. state policies, standards, frameworks, state-to-district communications/training, etc.) please add a brief update to the table in the agenda attached to the calendar invite.

Lead: Elise Trelegan, NOAA

Non-decisional

Materials: None

State / Jurisdiction	State or Regional Capacity Building Update
Regional	
VA	
PA	
NY	

DC	
MD	
DE	

Environmental Literacy Indicator Tool (ELIT) Survey Progress

10:15 – 10:25

State leads will provide updates regarding outreach and distribution efforts to encourage ELIT survey responses. Elise will provide an overview of the new survey response tracking dashboards. The Education Workgroup will discuss opportunities to activate state networks and regional hubs to encourage district participation in ELIT.

Lead: Elise Trelegan, NOAA

Non-decisional

Materials:

- State ELIT survey response dashboards: [DE](#), [DC](#), [MD](#), [PA](#), [VA](#), [WV](#)

2027 Education Forum Direction and Timeline

10:25 – 10:45

Education Workgroup leadership and members of the Education Forum design team will share updates about the invitation timeline, focus, and direction of the Education Forum. The Forum will take place January 26-27, 2027 at the Maritime Conference Center in Linthicum Heights, MD.

Lead: Elise Trelegan, NOAA

Non-decisional

Materials: None

Chesapeake Bay Program Updates

10:45 – 11:15

Education Workgroup leadership will provide a brief overview of the new Chesapeake Bay Program structure, including membership updates, as outlined in the Governance and Management Framework. Leadership will outline the feedback and approval timeline for the Education Outcomes' Management Strategy chapters as well as the 2027 drafting process for the outcome workplans.

Lead: Meredith Lemke, CRC; Olivia Wisner, MDNR; Elise Trelegan, NOAA

Non-decisional

Materials:

- [CBP Governance and Management Framework](#) (*optional to review*)

K12 Career and Technical Education Action Team Updates

11:15 – 11:25

Bart Merrick will provide updates regarding the progress, priorities, and needs of the K12 CTE Action Team, such as progress towards developing an indicator for the K12 education components of the Workforce Outcome and Targets.

Lead: Bart Merrick, NOAA; Meredith Lemke, CRC

Non-decisional

Materials: None

Meeting Wrap-Up

11:25 – 11:30

Meeting action items will be identified and reviewed for follow up.

Lead: Meredith Lemke, CRC

Non-decisional

Materials: None

Next Meeting: *January 4, 2027 – 10:00-11:30am ET*

Adjourn

11:30