



FLORIDA'S WATER SYSTEMS



Friday, April 25, 2025

Creation Adventures by Science Partners

He shall have dominion from sea to sea, and from the river to the ends of the earth. Psalm 72:8

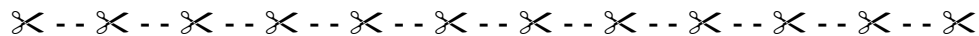
Come enjoy the great outdoors of Florida with Bill & Merilee Clifton - creationists, authors, Florida Master Naturalists, and science educators. The Cliftons will lead our group from Canaveral National Seashore (CNS) to Merritt Island National Wildlife Refuge (MINWR), Indian River Lagoon (IRL) and the St. Johns River (SJR), exploring Florida's Water Systems from the perspective of God's design in creation.

We will meet at 7:30 AM at Bridgewater Marketplace Shopping Center on East Colonial Drive just east of the intersection of Hwy. 408 (East-West Expressway, Exit 23 - Titusville) and Hwy. 50 / Colonial Drive in the parking lot between Winn Dixie and Subway. We will **depart for CNS by 8:00 AM** after a brief orientation. For directions and time estimate, use Subway's address, 13212 E. Colonial Dr., Orlando 32826. **At CNS, we'll begin with an orientation, beach walk, and sea bean hunt at this saltwater ecosystem.** Then, we're off to **MINWR, where we'll see educational displays and a film on the area's ecology.** **Be sure to bring a picnic lunch.** After lunch, **at IRL we'll wade into the brackish water with seining nets.** Our *Capture and Release* permit allows us to **study the marine specimens we catch** and then return them to the water. We never know what we might find, but have caught fish, shrimp, crabs, seahorses, jellyfish, puffer fish, horseshoe crabs, stingrays, and more! Sometimes we see dolphins and manatees. **TIE-ON SHOES ARE REQUIRED TO GET IN THE WATER!** *These can be old tennis shoes, athletic-type shoes, etc. They must tie on so they won't come off in the water. Slip-ons, beach shoes or boots, zippered shoes, Crocs, etc. are NOT acceptable. If you don't have tie-ons, you'll need to go to a discount or thrift store and buy a cheap pair.* **Bring a towel, change of clothes (just in case), and dry shoes in a plastic bag for wet things, as well as a container of water to rinse feet after seining.** Our last stop is the **SJR** where we'll **observe plant and animal life of this freshwater habitat from an airboat.** Watch for alligators, bald eagles, other birds, turtles, and more! There's an awesome gift / snack shop at the airboat place. **Our day as a group ends after the airboat ride at approximately 3:30 PM in Christmas.** Questions? Email Merilee Clifton at sciencepartners@cfl.rr.com or call / text 407-808-4458.

Minimum number is 25; maximum is 54 (capacity for three airboats). A responsible adult must accompany and supervise all children. Please note that our day is long and very active. **Deadline for minimum number is March 28, 2025. Later registrations may be accepted, space permitting.**

You may register two ways:

- (1) Make your **check or money order** payable to **Science Partners** and mail it along with your registration form below to **343 Allison Ave., Longwood, FL 32750.** (Checks will be held until minimum number is reached.)
- (2) Make your **Zelle** payment to **Science Partners** at **407-808-4458.** **Also email or text the information requested on the form below** to Science Partners at sciencepartners@cfl.rr.com or 407-808-4458.



Registration Form: FLORIDA'S WATER SYSTEMS – Friday, April 25, 2025

Family's Last Name:		Cell Number:		
Homeschool Group:		Email:		
Adult Names:	Children's Names and Ages:		Children's Names and Ages:	
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2.	2.	2.	5.	5.
3.	3.	3.	6.	6.
Cost: (Ages 2 and under are free)				
# Ages 2 - 12 years = _____ @ \$45 = \$ _____		# Ages 13 years + = _____ @ \$49 = \$ _____		
Total: \$	Circle Payment Type: Check Money Order Zelle			