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Dear Educator,

This is your invitation to become part of an environmental education program for Riley County teachers. Earth Awareness Researchers for Tomorrow's Habitat (E.A.R.T.H.) is an environmental education program that provides hands-on environmental lessons that satisfy the Kansas College and Career Ready Standards for Science.

When you sign up for E.A.R.T.H. you are given a **Curriculum Book** with 23 interactive environmental lessons which are divided into 4 areas (air, water, soil, living resources), and you are given an **Activity Kit** with all of the supplies necessary to complete the 23 lessons.

A full kit is valued at over \$500. It is available to teacher <u>at no cost</u>. We just ask that you return the kit, in good condition, at the end of the school year.

Participating classrooms will be invited to an end of the year **Workshop**. The E.A.R.T.H. Workshop is the culminating event that places your students in contact with local environmental experts. These organizations and individuals give them real world applications to their in-class environmental studies. The workshop will be held in late April/early May.

Each E.A.R.T.H. lesson satisfies the Kansas College and Career Ready Standards for Science. E.A.R.T.H. is also able to provide tools to integrate problem solving, writing, math, computer applications, debate, and science skills. E.A.R.T.H. lessons can also be connected to the Kansas College and Career Ready Standards for Math and English Language Arts.

In order for today's young people to be prepared for adulthood they need to be knowledgeable about environmental concepts. The E.A.R.T.H. program is dedicated to providing teachers with the resources they need to help students learn good environmental stewardship, now and in the future.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have questions at (785) 537-6350 or brandymarie@ksu.edu. I look forward to working with you this year!

Sincerely,

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