



# NEW YORK'S GREAT LAKES Great Lakes Model Educator Application

**Eligibility:** *Great Lakes Model Educators* are individuals who have participated in Great Lakes workshops/trainings and have successfully integrated Great Lakes Literacy principles and related curricula into their classroom or program. Individuals may be K-12 teachers of any discipline, nature center or environmental education center educators, instructors, or outreach and education specialists with non-profit organizations.

**Responsibilities:** *Great Lakes Model Educators* (GLME) integrate Great Lakes Literacy principles and corresponding experiential education activities into their curriculum to promote environmental literacy and stewardship, and do not advocate for desired outcomes on political issues in their programs or classrooms. GLME support other educators' integration of Great Lakes Literacy principles into classrooms and programs. Once awarded, select GLME will be given the opportunity to become a "Featured Teacher" on the NYGLEEE website ([www.nyseagrant.org/educationexchange](http://www.nyseagrant.org/educationexchange)).

**Significance:** Awardees receive Great Lakes Model Educator certificate and become part of the GLME Network of educators in the Great Lakes Basin. This network provides an opportunity for educators to connect and be up to date with education materials and events. Select awardees will be given the opportunity to become a "Featured Teacher" in which they will be featured on the NYGLEEE clearinghouse.

**Selection Process:** NYGLEEE representatives from New York Sea Grant and New York State Department of Environmental Conservation will screen applications according to qualifications and create a pool from which awardees will be selected from. Eligible candidates will remain in the pool continuously through each award cycle. Individuals in the pool selected are not obligated to accept the GLME award.

**Application Process:** Individuals may apply or recommendations for a deserving educator will also be accepted. The full application below must be completed and submitted to [SGBuffal@cornell.edu](mailto:SGBuffal@cornell.edu).



Your Full Name (Educator's Full Name if recommending):

E-mail Address:

City/Region where Education is provided (Must be in NYS):

Briefly share your/educator's connection to Great Lakes education, including achievements, workshops attended, etc.:

How have you, or the nominated educator, demonstrated the actions of a Great Lakes Model Educator by contributing to the goal of promoting the next generation of Great Lakes environmentally literate, stewardship minded stakeholders? Please provide examples.

As a Great Lakes Model Educator, and a resource for other educators, how would you continue to advance this goal?

\*In 500 words or less, please share experiences with bringing students into the field, responses observed from students, and/or how the experience was “meaningful” in developing the student’s literacy of the Great Lakes and/or helping them become more stewardship minded. If possible, please share students’ comments about their experiences.

I am interested in becoming a Featured Teacher, please contact me with more information.

Thank you for applying to be a New York's Great Lakes Model Educator!

Please note, this is a general application form - awarded applicants will be notified of their acceptance.

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