



EMWD EDUCATION PROGRAM

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ENGAGING AND EDUCATING OUR FUTURE

As one of California's premier water agencies, Eastern Municipal Water District (EMWD) is proud of its long-standing partnerships with area school districts.

EMWD offers a wide range of educational programs to the 11 school districts within its service area. These programs go far beyond telling students to use water efficiently. They are designed to be engaging, curriculum-based, and grade-level appropriate.

The long-term objectives of the program are to help students develop a deep understanding of water's value, encourage positive water use habits from a young age, and inspire the next generation to pursue careers in the water industry through a years-long Career Technical Education program.

EMWD is proud to lead the way in developing engaging and educational programs that promote water use efficiency and career opportunities. To learn more, please visit www.emwd.org/learn-us.



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CAREER TECHNICAL

EDUCATION: In 2024, EMWD broadened its education program to promote water industry careers to help address a looming industry-wide workforce shortage. The program is a multi-year effort at the high school level that will prepare students for jobs in the water and wastewater sector. EMWD hosts an annual teachers' workshop to equip educators with the tools to teach the program. The curriculum, developed by EMWD staff, is available on its website.



The program is based on Common Core, Career Technical Education, and Next Generation Science Standards. Students participate in field trips, classroom education programs, hands-on learning opportunities, and much more. At the conclusion of the program, students will be prepared to take state-required distribution and treatment exams.

FIELD TRIPS: Each year, EMWD hosts thousands of students for field trips at its Hemet Water Filtration Plant, Groundwater Desalination Complex in Menifee, and its San Jacinto Valley Regional Water Reclamation Facility. The tours are targeted to specific grades and allow students to see the various treatment processes that deliver safe and reliable services to the community.

ANNUAL CONTESTS: EMWD participates in the annual water-wise poster contest, presented by The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, and hosts an annual contest for high school students to create a video about a water related topic.

CLASSROOM PRESENTATIONS: EMWD engages thousands of students each year in classroom education offerings. Many of these presentations are geared toward educating students about the value of water and establishing positive water use habits at a young age.

ACCESS TO WATER: In partnership with area schools, EMWD has placed a water bottle fill station in every school in its service area. This ensures students have access to free and safe drinking water throughout the day.