Proudly Supports the Educational Outreach Program

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The Passaic Valley Sewerage Commission has developed an Educational Outreach Program which offers free, hands-on, environmental education presentations describing aspects of The River Restoration Program, the PVSC Treatment Plant, and its role as guardian of our local waterways.

With four main presentations, each geared to a specific age group, the PVSC’s Educational Outreach Program include demonstrations, games and outdoor adventures with “Messy Marvin” to show kids how to help keep the Passaic River Watershed healthy and clean. With students 6th grade and older, PVSC helps put words into actions throughout our 48-Municipality Service area by sponsoring participants in a streamside cleanup with the PVSC’s River Restoration Team.

The Passaic Valley Sewerage Commission’s Environmental Team will work with your organization to ensure that the best possible program can be brought to students of all ages and abilities.

“Messy Marvin”
A 12-minute DVD is presented, complete with a lively sound track about cartoon-like characters dubbed “Messy Marvin & Pollution Prevention Penny”, who learn the errors of their ways in contributing to water pollution.

River Restoration and Volunteers
A PowerPoint presentation shows students the efforts of PVSC’s River Restoration Department in cleaning the Passaic River, its watershed and how to keep it clean. The second portion of this two-part program includes going to the water’s edge and completing a PVSC-sponsored cleanup. Kids will walk away feeling empowered and with the confidence to tell others in the community how to keep the Passaic River and its tributaries clean.

Educational Games
Interactive games and activities such as “Habitat Lap Sit” and “The Sum of the Parts” work with the curriculum to illustrate to students that everything and everyone is connected to the Passaic River.

Outdoor Activities
With the inclusion of outdoor activities from “Nature Journaling” to a full stream study, students learn the value of the Passaic River and what they can do to be proactive and help keep our watershed clean.