

Generation Earth Goes Virtual

Due to thousands of Los Angeles County students having to stay home during the Covid-19 pandemic, the Los Angeles County Generation Earth Program for grades 6 to 12, transformed the in-person workshops for teachers to webinars. These webinars provide teachers with information and breakout activities that they can use while students are learning from home. By implementing these changes, it has increased participation by 75 percent making it extremely successful and more teachers aware of what the Generation Earth Program has to offer once they go back to their classrooms or continue to teach online.

The first webinar conducted on May 4, 2020, focused on stormwater pollution and water conservation. The 90-minute webinar provided the history of water in Los Angeles County, the use of rain barrels and rain gardens and how to prevent stormwater pollution. The second webinar was conducted on May 13, 2020 and focused on waste reduction strategies for middle and high school campuses. In addition, teachers learned how to expand the campus programs.

The Generation Earth program also provides teachers the opportunity to work with trained environmental educators to lead their students through a virtual lesson and activity. The topics include recycling, composting, native plants, water pollution and prevention and waste in the fashion industry.

Additional workshop webinars will be offered in July 2020. For educators or students who are interested in attending a future workshop webinar or learning more about the Generation Earth Program, please contact Ms. Loyda Ramos at (818) 623-4856 or at lramos@treepeople.org. For additional information, please visit GenerationEarth.com.