

Career Launch (ages 16–adult)

This is a “job shadow” program that provides hands-on experience for students who may have an interest in working in the areas of Outdoor Education, Law Enforcement, Fisheries, Wildlife, or Habitat Management, or related fields. Students will receive a certificate from each session after completing a post-session survey. Each session is limited to 10 students. Students will be sent a reminder 1 week in advance and must confirm at that time that they are coming or their name will be removed and replaced by someone on the waiting list.

How to apply:

Step 1: Send in the Career Launch Application and Liability Waiver (available on the website under teacher link) to the Schools Program Coordinator, Katie Wiedrich at Katie.Wiedrich@state.sd.us or fax at (605)394-1793.

Step 2: Confirm with Katie when you receive the reminder 1 week in advance.

Please dress for the outdoors and inclement weather: rain, wind, sun, etc.... Sunscreen, hat, glasses.....

How to receive a certificate of completion:

Step 1: Sign in at the beginning of each session you attend and check your contact information to make sure it is correct. The contact address is where your certificate will be sent.

Step 2: Complete the post-survey at the end of each session.

If you have questions or comments please contact:

Katie Wiedrich at 394-2528 or Katie.wiedrich@state.sd.us

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Please arrive on time. All sessions begin promptly at 1:30 and may last up to 4:00pm.

September 21 Fisheries

Did you know SD GFP test fish for metals, pesticides, and PCB's? They help the Health Department list the most current fish consumption advisories for the state. Learn how they manage a system of fish hatcheries in order to give anglers a boost. You may get the chance to visit one of the hatcheries and see how we partner with nature and compliment natural fish production.

October 5 Outdoor Education

Learn about teaching! At SD GFP there are people whose specific job is to teach people of all ages about outdoor recreation and ecological concepts.

October 19 Wildlife

Learn how SD GFP manages wildlife populations for public use. You may get to try some equipment used to find and track radio-collared game.

November 2 Habitat

Habitat is the physical environment where an animal lives and provides the necessities of life: food, water, cover, and home range. Learn how our SD GFP Habitat staff manage food, water, and shelter for our wildlife.

November 16 Conservation Law

Find out what it takes to become a wildlife conservation officer (WCO), and share good conversation about why WCO's enjoy their jobs (boring and routine is not in the description). You may get some hand-on experience using techniques that help determine the cause of an animal's death.

Student: _____ **Phone:** _____

School: _____

Home Address: _____ **City** _____

City: _____ **Zip:** _____

Email: _____

Grade: _____ **Age:** _____

Special Needs/Restrictions/Health Concerns: _____

Please list which session(s) you wish to attend:
