



LAKE COUNTY FOREST PRESERVES  
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## Teacher Ambassador Program

The Lake County Forest Preserves (LCFPD) and Dunn Museum Teacher Ambassador Program provides a unique opportunity for Lake County K-12 educators to connect with history and environmental education-based resources and staff. It will allow teachers to increase their professional development skills, inquiry-based teaching skills, and connections to local resources and content. In return, Teacher Ambassadors will serve as an intermediary between their school and the Forest Preserves and Dunn Museum, helping to disseminate information about educational opportunities and provide feedback for how the Forest Preserves and Dunn Museum can best meet the needs of teachers and students.

### Through the Teacher Ambassador Program, educators will:

- Help to pilot and shape a brand-new program.
- Become ambassadors for the Forest Preserves and Dunn Museum back at their school, helping to build and strengthen connections and foster larger educational opportunities.
- Become a voice for the needs of students and teachers of Lake County to the Forest Preserves and Dunn Museum in order to continue to create new, and improve existing, learning opportunities.
- Connect with their peers and create a learning community that can be utilized outside of the program itself, for continued professional development and support.
- Earn Professional Development Training Credits.
- Further develop skills in object-based and inquiry-based teaching and learning.
- Utilize Museum resources and collections, and learn how to incorporate them in the classroom.
- Learn more about existing educational opportunities for teachers and students offered by the Forest Preserves and Dunn Museum.
- Participate in a minimum of **3 of 5 sessions** on a variety of topics incorporating local history and fostering connections between the Museum and the classroom, including a **mandatory orientation** training session at the annual Dunn Museum Teacher Open House.
- Create a culminating project.

**To apply:** Applications should be submitted either by email to [nstocker@LCFPD.org](mailto:nstocker@LCFPD.org) or in person to the Dunn Museum in Libertyville by **October 31, 2019**.

### 2019-2020 Teacher Ambassador Program Dates (All held at the Dunn Museum)

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| Program Orientation and Annual Teacher Open House | October 24, 2019<br>(Attendance Required) |
| Series 1: Hands-on History                        | December 12, 2019                         |
| Series 2: Object-based Learning                   | January 30, 2020                          |
| Series 3: Biographies                             | March 12, 2020                            |
| Year-end Celebration                              | May 28, 2020                              |





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## Teacher Ambassador Program Application

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_

Years Teaching: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade Level(s): \_\_\_\_\_

What is the primary language(s) spoken in your classroom? \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about this program? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you booked/attended programs with the Forest Preserves and Museum previously? Yes No

What does classroom education mean to you in today's world?

What challenges do you face as an educator that the Forest Preserves and Dunn Museum could assist with?

What do you hope to learn through participation in the Teacher Ambassador program?

Thank you for your application! It will be reviewed and you will be notified by November 8, 2019.

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