

- SCOPE -

Scientific Citizens Observing Pollution -in the- Environment

Volunteer Info:

- Each volunteer will be asked to sign a **waiver form** that states he/she is responsible for their own safety and will follow the safety procedures explained to them by the Watershed Specialist. Volunteers under the age of 18 must have adult supervision either by a teacher and/or parent and must have a parent/guardian sign the waiver form.
- Each volunteer will be asked to sign a **photo release form** that states the Watershed Specialist is allowed to photograph you as a volunteer and use various photos in publications, on our District website, and in the District Report detailing the SCOPE Project.
- Volunteers will be asked to wear their own rain boots or water shoes during the stream study. **Footwear must have thick, rubber soles for safety reasons.** Volunteers are free to wear any other clothing they wish when outdoors. Sunscreen is encouraged!
- Volunteers will be asked to fill out a **survey** before and after the SCOPE Project. Personal information, such as names, ages, and addresses will be kept confidential.
- Volunteers will be asked to participate in the **stream study on 5 separate days** which will be pre-scheduled. 'Hall passes' to miss a day will be granted on an individual basis. Dates are TBA. **Everyone will be asked to meet at the Conservation District/Penn State Extension Office in New Bloomfield.**
- **Volunteers will be asked to provide their own transportation to and from their stream sites. Carpooling is encouraged!**
- Volunteers will be treated to an **Appreciation Picnic** at the end of the summer which will be sponsored by the Perry County Conservation District as a 'Thank You' for everyone's hard work.
- Volunteers will be **instructed** on how to use all of the equipment and water quality tests to be used in the field during the workshop days provided by the Perry County Conservation District. **Hands-on Learning** will be taking place!
- **Volunteer teachers** will have the opportunity to access the data that was collected during SCOPE during the fall. **Resources and materials will be available** for 'In Classroom' instruction upon request from the Watershed Specialist.