

CITIZEN SCIENCE

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Presentation Title: *A Lot About Lichens*

In this session, we will provide kindergarten through eighth-grade teachers with a base understanding of lichens, their structure and function, and their connection to air quality. This includes lichen activities that get your students outdoors, such as a lichen safari, participatory science projects and nature journaling. We will also look at the Department of Environmental Quality's Lichen or Not webpage, which houses lichen activities, and have open discussions on how activities can be modified to fit other curricula and grades.

Presentation Target:

Elementary & Middle School

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