
WHY SHOULD I JOIN W.H.E.I.A?

AS AN INSTRUCTOR, WHEIA HELPS YOU IN THE FOLLOWING WAYS:

1. WHEIA continues as a resource for training aid information to instructors throughout the state.
2. You share concerns and teaching ideas with other instructors through WHEIA's newsletter and annual meeting.
3. For the first time, Hunter Education Instructors have a united voice in the activities that concern them. Instructors must be able to voice their opinions on matters of ethics, responsibility, and hunter behavior. It's time instructors have a united voice that people will listen to.
4. WHEIA is active in the State Firearms Range Committee developing a state wide range program. WHEIA is also developing in writing and getting Implemented the new State Hunter Education Six Year Plan for the Department of Wildlife.
5. Coordination – We will continue to serve as a funnel for instructors, clubs, and organizations to put forth their efforts into 'one' solid, well planned campaign to obtain the desired results.
6. We have presented resolutions and ideas to insure adequate funding from the Department of wildlife for Hunter Education programs throughout the state for both youth and adults.

AS AN INDIVIDUAL, INSTRUCTOR OR MEMBER, WHEIA HELPS YOU:

1. You are helping Hunter Education and the shooting sports. Your money and ideas go directly to the most important natural resource we have, our youth.
2. You also have a voice as a member of a group that is the leader in keeping hunting a safe and respected tradition. Hunter Education instructors graduate over 15,000 young adult hunters in a year. Over 500,000 sportsmen and women have completed the course since it was first offered.
3. Washington needs a state organization for the sportsmen and women concerned with hunter safety and behavior. The slob hunter hurts us all. When you think of all the shooting sports today, you realize the solutions to these problems is education of all hunters and outdoor users, both young and adult.
4. The economy of Washington depends a great deal on outdoor activities. Washington is a state noted for its forests, streams, and wildlife. Money spent on these resources affects all business in and out of state. As a member of WHEIA, you will be investing in your own business and state economy as a whole. You will be insuring that Washington's bountiful resources are utilized so they continue and expand. You are investing in your future.

GOALS:

CONTINUED EDUCATION AND INVOLVEMENT FOR BOTH YOUTH AND ADULTS.

The future of Washington's outdoors is in Jeopardy. An all out push must be made now to protect it. WHEIA members strive to assist Hunter Education Instructors to teach wild-life management and conservation topics.

INFORMATION BOOTHS

WHEIA members are working to create a pro-conservation attitude that includes hunting As a game management tool in the general public. This will be accomplished by manning booths at sport shows and fairs across the state. Informational material will be made available to inform the general public about courses, instructors, and issues pertinent to hunter education and the public.

NEWSLETTER

A quarterly newsletter will be sent to all members and associate members.

TRAINING AND FUNDING OF PUBLIC SPEAKERS THROUGHOUT THE STATE

The need to educate the non-hunting public is both immediate and critical. WHEIA speakers will address groups throughout the state. Topics will be pro-hunting and hunting education. Visual aids and handouts will be developed that are not offensive to the non-hunting public.

INSTRUCTOR DEVELOPED TRAINING AIDS

Many instructors have developed teaching aids on their own which are outstanding. These aids should be found and distributed throughout the state.

HUNTER EDUCATION IS THE ANSWER.
WHAT IS THE QUESTION?