

2024-2025
**VIRGINIA DOMINION
ENERGY ENVIROTHON**
ANNUAL REPORT





2024-2025 PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

The **Virginia Dominion Energy Envirothon** is a natural resources competition through which high school students around the Commonwealth compete by demonstrating their knowledge of environmental science and natural resource management. Students work to solve real-world environmental problems and demonstrate their knowledge of **aquatics, forestry, soils, wildlife, and a current issue topic**. Students work in teams of five and work with a coach throughout the school year to prepare to compete at their area level, where they are able to progress to the state and international level competition. Teams compete in written tests as well as an oral presentation, where they respond to a current issue scenario and present real-world solutions as a team to a panel of judges.

Students and coaches from across the state participated in hands-on, outdoor learning experiences thanks to the help of local SWCDS and partner agencies.

40 teams advanced and competed at the regional level, and **16 teams** advanced and competed at the state level. The Virginia Dominion Energy Envirothon State Competition took place May 18-19th at the University of Mary Washington in Fredericksburg, VA.





NATURAL RESOURCE
KNOWLEDGE



WORKING WITH
PROFESSIONALS



PRESENTATION ON
REAL-WORLD ISSUE



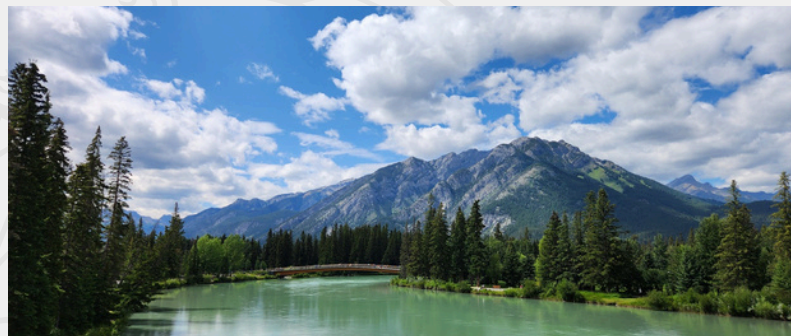
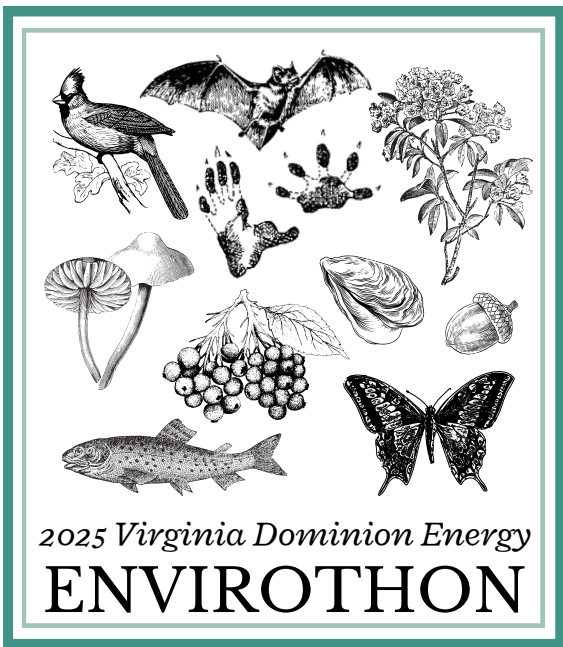
TEAM BUILDING AND
COLLABORATION

WHY ENVIROTHON?

2025 CURRENT ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUE TOPIC: ROOTS AND RESILIENCY

Congratulations to the Jamestown High School Team from the Colonial Soil & Water Conservation District!

- 1st place overall at the Virginia State Competition
- Advanced to the National Conservation Foundation **International Envirothon Competition** in Calgary, Alberta, Canada, July 20-26, 2025. The Virginia team placed 10th out of 54 teams. The team was awarded \$500 in scholarships for their performance.



HOW TO GET INVOLVED

Teams of current 9-12th grade high school-aged students can be created through school clubs, classes, home school groups, 4-H groups, scout troops, local nature centers etc. The only requirement is that the team has a minimum of five students and one adult advisor/chaperone.

Thank you to Dominion Energy for their sponsorship and support of the Virginia Dominion Energy Envirothon Program.

Thank you also to Smithfield Foods, Invest529 and the Chesapeake Bay Restoration Funds for their support.

GET IN TOUCH TO LEARN MORE

Byron.Minson@vaswcd.org - (804) 559-0324
vaswcd.org/envirothon

