

Environmental Literacy Explorations 1 2024-2025 School Year

Environmental Literacy Explorations 1, or "Ex. 1" for short, is a one-semester project-based course designed to give students the freedom to explore their own interests in environmental literacy. Ex. 1 features **interactive experiences, field trips, guest speakers, group projects**, and content presented at a comfortable pace. Whether you take it in the fall or the spring, the Signature Program has some unique opportunities planned for you.

Our field trip destinations for next school year are:

Salisbury University	Oyster Recovery Partnership
USDA People's Garden in Washington DC	St. Mary's College of Maryland
Masonville Cove	Clagett Farm
Goshen Farm	Patapsco State Park
NASA	CBF Inner Harbor Baltimore
More trips are being added all the time! Tell us where YOU want to go!	
Field trips are always NO COST to Explorations students	

The Signature Outdoor Classroom, BHS Greenhouse, and BHS People's Garden

Ex. 1 students will get to use these facilities regularly as they explore the topics listed below.

Environmental Economics Sustainability Biodiversity Environmental Law Pollution/Restoration

Lastly, taking Ex. 1 allows you to take **Environmental Literacy Explorations 2** the following year. This course includes a capstone project that allows you to work with community partners to make an impact on the environment and your local community. With a focus on project management, Ex. 2 helps you develop skills that are transferable to any career field.

Ex. 1 and Ex. 2 students also get first dibs on our **Junior year AACC @ BHS College Courses** (which fill up fast). Those who complete the whole program (Ex. 1, Ex. 2, College Courses) earn a completer certificate in Natural Resources and Conservation, and an Environmental Literacy Signature graduation cord.

Signing up for Ex. 1 is easy!

In your course registration portal, find the Environmental Literacy/Signature Courses section, and select Environmental Literacy Explorations 1. You can select Semester 1 (S1) or Semester 2 (S2). Or you can show this paper to your counselor when you meet for scheduling.

If you have any questions, contact Mrs. Roth at srroth@aacps.org or stop by C202!