

WSU FORESTRY TOUR

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*From Tree Tops to Laptops:
What do strawberries have to do with forestry?*



Washington State University is providing a training for educators who expect to include forestry education in their curricula. This workshop and tour showcases best forestry practices, jobs, special forest products, and technology, covering rural and urban forest health and management issues that teachers need to know.

DAY 1—Consists of a tour of the Walla Walla foothills featuring economic, environmental, and social actions taken to improve community and landowner resilience to wildfire impacts. You will learn about the science, treatments, and jobs in community wildfire protection. On your way into the woods, we will visit Klicker's Strawberry Acres where you will learn what strawberries have to do with forestry! You will experience live timber harvesting and hazardous fuels reduction mitigation, aimed at sustaining healthy trees, enhancing wildlife habitat, reducing watershed impacts from wildfire, and supporting well-paying jobs. Demonstrations and hands-on activities will prepare you to teach about improving forest health and reducing wildfire threat. You will see the machinery and use the tools that forestry professionals use for managing forests. You will get hands-on tools (to keep!) for assessing forest health anywhere.

DAY 2—You will wrap-up your wildland forestry experience and learn how virtual reality (VR) and augmented reality (AR) can provide real-life forestry work experiences without having the real-life consequences. You will be given a safety

curriculum that you can utilize for engaging students in chainsaw safety and maintenance education, holding a virtual safety meeting, and navigating hazards while working alone or as a crew in the woods. You will learn the benefits of urban and community forestry and about the practice of arboriculture along with employment opportunities in the tree service industry. The training will wrap up with a discussion of the non-timber forest products industry where you will learn about the aspects of harvesting, use, and selling of “special forest products” such as wild edibles, mushrooms, herbal medicinals, floral and Christmas greenery, and character wood.

Registration Fee—\$150

(Includes two lunches, dinner at the winery, refreshments, and materials)

- Day 1 at Walla Walla includes lunch, refreshments throughout the day, and dinner at Waterbrook Winery.
- Day 2 at WSU Tri-Cities includes lunch and refreshments throughout the day.

To register, send check payable to:

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