

2019 Summer Institutes: Grades 3-6

Alabama's Longleaf Pine: A Closer Look

Solon Dixon Forestry Education Center, Andalusia June 24-27, 2019

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Get ready to learn more about the majestic longleaf pine and its important role in Alabama's history in Alabama's Longleaf Pine: A Closer Look. Once covering 92 million acres of the American southeast, this forest is now found on only 3 million acres. Participants will spend 3.5 days at the Solon Dixon Forestry Education Center, amid 5,300 acres of forests, swamps, springs, and river frontage. Hear from Rhett Johnson, the co-founder and president of the Longleaf Alliance, Inc. and co-author of Longleaf, Far as the Eye Can See; Roger Reid, author of the children's novel Longleaf and writer, director, and producer of the award-winning TV series Discovering Alabama; and Renee Raney, author of Hairy, Scary, but Mostly Merry Fairies. Teachers will participate in hands-on activities, field trips, and receive numerous classroom resources that will equip them to lead celebrations for Alabama's 200th birthday in their schools and classrooms.