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Highlighting Resources and Books in Early Childhood Environmental Education: An Invitation for Submissions

With each issue, *IJECEE* will publish reviews of resources and books related to early childhood environmental education research or practice. Resources and books submitted to the *IJECEE* Book and Resource Review Department will be reviewed by a team of professionals. Reviews will include the title of the resource/book, author(s), ISBN when appropriate, cost if appropriate, how to obtain a copy of the resource/book, and an overview/summary of each resource/book. A variety of published materials will be considered for inclusion in the Book and Resource Review Department, including activity guides, research summaries or bibliographies, how to books, textbooks, and other appropriate materials relevant to early childhood environmental education.

To submit a resource or book to be reviewed, send a copy to Dr. Brenda Weiser, UHCL, 2700 Bay Area Blvd, #53, Houston, TX 77598. For questions contact Dr. Brenda Weiser at weiser@uhcl.edu or Dr. Donna Kirkwood at Kirkwood@uhcl.edu.

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Donna has presented at local, state, national and international conferences including the Project Learning Tree International Coordinators' Conference, National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) Annual Conference, North American Association for Environmental Education (NAAEE) Annual Conference and National Association of Early Childhood Teacher Educators (NAECTE) Annual Conference.

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