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Florida Project Learning Tree 2010 Annual Report

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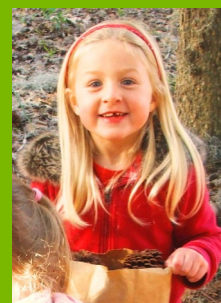
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- ◆ 63 facilitators volunteered 1390 hours to train 706 educators at 34 workshops!
- ◆ 67,500 Florida students will be taught PLT activities this year by the educators trained in the 2010 workshops!
- ◆ Over 2800 volunteer hours donated to Florida PLT!
- ◆ Florida PLT Awarded Grant to Develop a Communication Network and Expand Program Impact!
- ◆ Forests of the World, Early Childhood Experiences, and Florida Healthy Forests workshops introduced!
- ◆ 1500 educators receive PLT news!
- ◆ Florida PLT will be on Facebook soon!



THANK YOU to past Steering Committee Members!

Greg Driskell,
Plum Creek Timber, Inc.
Eileen Tramontana,
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Heather Callahan,
Ocala National Forest, USFS

Regional PLT Facilitator Teams

- ◆ Eight teams, comprised of 37 members, planned and conducted their first PLT educator's workshop, training 100 educators. Workshops were given in all seven PLT regions of the state!

Introducing...



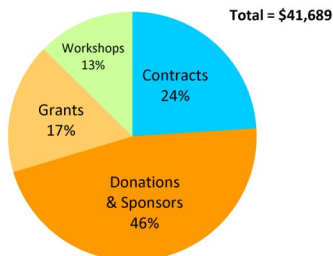
A middle school student learning at a PLT school, Riversink Elementary.

New PLT Schools!

- ◆ **Holiday Hill Elementary School**, Jacksonville, FL
- ◆ **Crawfordville Elementary School**, Crawfordville, FL
- ◆ **All Elementary Schools in Wakulla County are PLT schools!**



2010 PLT Income Sources



Ag Teachers joined PLT Educators for Florida Healthy Forests Training Workshop

Curriculum focuses on the role of insects and diseases in forest ecosystems and the way ecosystems in Florida function. For more info contact mcmonroe@ufl.edu

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THANK YOU PLT Sponsors!

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Elementary students at St. Paul Lutheran School, Lakeland FL.

Celebrating Excellence!

PLT Teacher of the Year: **Linda Jordan**



As an elementary school teacher, Linda has been resourceful and innovative in bringing agricultural and scientific programs to Indian Rock Christian School in Largo, Fla. Linda's efforts have helped fund the schools Weather Bug Center and a hydroponic strawberry and herb garden. The science activities she does with her class will carry on with her students for a lifetime. Congratulations, Linda!

PLT Facilitator of the Year: **Brooke Mohr**



Brooke serves as the PLT coordinator at Medart Elementary and frequently takes on PLT leadership roles in her county as well as at the state level. Brooke coordinated a county wide PLT teacher workshop that allowed Riversink Elementary to have enough teachers trained to become a PLT school. Riversink had their first PLT week in November 2009 thanks to Brooke's willingness to help and share her contacts. Congratulations, Brooke!

PLT Business Partner of the Year: **Florida Sustainable Forestry Initiative Implementation Committee**



Over the past four years SFI funds has been the life blood of the Florida PLT program. It is estimated that SFI sponsorship of 651 educators has resulted in 55,335 youth receiving PLT instruction, getting them outdoors learning about the environment and what they can do to conserve it. Congratulations, SFI! Kathy Brooks, Buckeye, accepted the award on behalf of SFI.

THANK YOU! 2010 PLT Volunteers & Educators

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