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## Education

*The following centennial proposal is certified as eligible for Centennial Challenge funding consideration in fiscal year 2008. Funding for the Centennial Challenge requires legislation.*

### **Engaging Youth: No Child Left Inside**

Location: Maine – Hancock County

Partner(s): L.L.Bean, Inc., Eastern National, Friends of Acadia, Acadia Partners for Science and Learning

Partner Website: [www.friendsofacadia.org/](http://www.friendsofacadia.org/), [www.acadiapartners.org/](http://www.acadiapartners.org/), [www.easternnational.org](http://www.easternnational.org),  
[www.llbean.com/outdoorsOnline/acadia/index.html](http://www.llbean.com/outdoorsOnline/acadia/index.html)

Total Cost: \$362,000

Proposal # 136593

**Summary:** The Acadia Engaging Youth program will enhance, expand, and ensure continuity of curriculum-based and Junior Ranger programs, and create additional youth services at Acadia National Park and its research learning center. The public-private partnership will enhance available scholarships to help underserved youth and schools attend additional park programs. Opportunities to work with teachers to become advocates for national parks will expand through increasing numbers of teacher institutes and summer Teacher-Ranger-Teacher park immersion experiences. Through new interactive web features as well as ensuring continuation of long-distance TV broadcasts to schools, opportunities to engage youth via interactive technology will grow. The Engaging Youth project will also increase the public's satisfaction, understanding, and appreciation of park resources with additional summer youth programming.

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Park ranger engaging students in the intertidal zone at Acadia