

# Selected PRI Projects Connecting Formal & Informal Educators

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WWW.TEACHERFRIENDLYGUIDE.ORG

A series of regional teacher-friendly guides to the Earth system science of the United States.



<http://teacherfriendlyguide.org>

A banner for Virtualfieldwork.org. On the left is a globe with the text "Virtualfieldwork.org" overlaid. Below the globe are the NSF logo and the Paleontological Research Institution logo. On the right are three vertical panels showing landscape photos: a canyon, a rocky hillside, and a waterfall. Text on the right reads: "A growing collection of virtual fieldwork experiences - opportunities to engage students in field inquiry and share their local geoscience with the rest of the world!"

<http://virtualfieldwork.org>

PALEONTOLOGICAL RESEARCH INSTITUTION

**Marcellus Shale**

THE SCIENCE BENEATH THE SURFACE

<http://www.museumoftheearth.org/outreach.php?page=92387>

# How can/do we facilitate interaction between formal & informal educators?

- We grew into it gradually.
- We target – go out and invite.
- We are explicit about building connections across the community (in the Marcellus Shale work)
- In all the work I've been involved in where we connect different kinds of educators, it is deeply appreciated.