

Recognizing the need for and value of disaster education and the benefits of interstate collaboration in disaster education, the _____ renews and strengthens its commitment as a member institution of the Extension Disaster Education Network (EDEN). As Director or Administrator of _____, I agree to:

- identify a leading Extension professional interested in disaster education issues to represent the institution in EDEN as the Points of Contact (POCs). POCs are the primary conduits of information in the EDEN network. POCs are responsible for communicating information and issues of interest to colleagues within their institutions and serve as the voting delegate for the institution on official EDEN business. POCs are the conduit for appointing delegates for an institution;
- support delegate(s) in sharing experience, knowledge, best practices, and resources in disaster preparedness, mitigation, response, and recovery education. Each member institution may have as many delegates as desired representing different program areas. Delegates are encouraged to serve as committee members and perform other organizationally related functions in EDEN; and
- encourage collaboration and cooperation in disaster education programming across state lines and between institutions.

The specific level of participation of each delegate and institution is to be determined locally. However, the greatest benefit from any collaborative effort is achieved by full active participation.

- provide travel support for delegate(s) to attend the national EDEN annual meeting;
- encourage staff to pursue partnerships with their state Emergency Management Agency and other agencies and organizations active in disaster preparedness, mitigation, response, and recovery;
- encourage all staff to participate in available disaster related training;
- encourage educators/agents and specialists to contribute their expertise to disaster education; and
- recognize disaster education accomplishments in performance evaluation and promotion and tenure processes.

EDEN members can be contacted through the EDEN website, currently at www.EDEN.lsu.edu.

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EXTENSION INSTITUTION

DATE

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