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and a healthy biosphere for generations to come.

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NLI Hosts DCDEE Regional Meetings

From April through May, NLI partnered with the Department of Child Development and Early Education (DCDEE) to host four regional meetings across North Carolina: the South Central regional meeting in Pinehurst, East in Greenville, North Central in Raleigh, and West in Asheville. These meetings brought together child development leaders and consultants across the state to increase awareness of the health and social-emotional benefits of nature-based learning...[read more](#)



Yale Climate Connections Podcast

The Yale Center for Environmental Communication recently featured NLI's Robin Moore in their Climate Connections radio program on the importance of shade in playgrounds. Robin shared insight on the important role that shade plays in creating more comfortable...[read more](#)

North Carolina Welcomes the Emergence of 13-Year Cicadas!

The emergence of 17-year and 13-year cicadas in the Eastern US is currently captivating the attention of nature enthusiasts. Here in North Carolina, the 13-year cicadas are making their grand appearance. Emerging en masse after 13 years underground...[read more](#)



Professional Development Online Courses



Gardening With Young Children Certificate Course (GWYC)

The *Gardening with Young Children Course* is a 5-week self-paced distance learning course hosted on the NCSU online platform, Moodle...[read more](#)

Early Childhood Outdoor Learning Environments Certificate (ECOLE)

is targeted towards early childhood professionals and others interested in improving early childhood outdoor play and learning environments...[read more](#)

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