



2025-2026 FAIRCHILD CHALLENGE AT PHIPPS

Middle School Challenges At A Glance



Challenges	Maximum Points	Type of Project	Due at Phipps by 5:00pm
1. Biological Sculpture: Phipps' Fairchild Climate Tails	200	Students will design one set of 3-10 sustainably crafted ornaments of animals like pets, farm animals, or wildlife near communities that are impacted by climate change.	Friday, October 24
2. Environmental Justice: Allies & Advocates	200	Students will research a young environmental leader/activist that inspires them and create a zine to show youth how they can get involved and make a difference.	Friday, December 5
3. Video Challenge: In the Field	200	Students will interview peers about what they care about and how they interact with nature & produce a short visual or audio report.	Friday, January 9
4. Fine Arts: Through Nature's Eyes	200	Students will write a short story or poem from the perspective of an animal, tree, or natural force & create a 2D illustration of that "character" to show their point of view.	Friday, February 6
5. Model Building: Journey of Sustainable Soles	200	Students will design a pair of shoes using recycled/reused materials that represent their personal journey in sustainability.	Friday, March 13
6. Data Collection and Research: Branch Out	200	Students will collect data and produce a poster-board report on the intersections between tree and community health.	Friday, April 10