

# **The program sounds great!**

## **Would I make a good advisor?**

### **How do I find the time for advising the team?**

Once you've made the commitment to coaching a team in the Envirothon program, you will quickly discover that it's worth every second you give to it. But don't panic about how much time it will take. The advisor's role is to provide guidance and assistance to the team's preparation towards the Envirothon Competition. The most important thing is a time commitment from the students!

The Envirothon NB Head Office at CFANB will provide you with learning materials, a listing of useful websites and a list of natural resource professionals from around the province who are willing to give presentations and tours to your team. At any time, we are available to answer your questions and provide you with guidance when you need it.

This year we are proud to introduce the Mentor Program, a new feature aimed at Team Advisors who require a little assistance with team preparation. We have recruited a past Envirothon Team Advisor, who has many successful years working with a winning team, to provide guidance to teams and help them navigate through the Learning Objectives of the Envirothon program.

If time commitment is a concern, please consider asking a second teacher at your school to be a co-advisor. Advisors for Envirothon teams could also be a parent or a member of your community who has a passion for the environment and some spare time on their hands, why not ask them to lend a hand?

### **How do I help the students with the scientific and technical knowledge of the specialized topics?**

Envirothon NB has developed learning resources and recruited natural resource professionals to assist with learning both in-class and outdoors! The materials provided to you upon registration cover the various subject areas within the guidelines of the Learning Objectives. Included is an extensive list of websites that provide additional learning. Advisors have found it useful to arrange to have guest speakers visit their class to discuss some of the more specialized areas of the program. In addition, Envirothon NB will arrange various workshops throughout the year which will be available to all teams. Teams will receive hands-on experience in the field. We highly recommend that the students take advantage of these great learning opportunities

The most important thing is a passion and commitment from the students. If they want the team to be a success, it will be!