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Press Release

6th-Grade Education Program: Wildfire in the Foothills

The Wildfire in the Foothills 6th-grade program, used by Butte County teachers for over 15 years, has undergone a 2021 update. The updated program provides classroom teachers with lessons and resources to support their students who live in fire-prone areas in the wildland urban interface (WUI). We strive to have more schools across the county bring fire and emergency preparedness topics into the classroom, because fire impacts everyone in the region.

Each sixth grader can play a valuable role in their family's and community's wildfire preparedness. This program serves to give students an introduction to wildfire, with an emphasis on community and personal fire preparedness. Wildfire in the Foothills is broken into seven one-hour lessons with accompanying PowerPoint presentations. The suggested student activities encourage students to show their learning in a variety of ways with assignments that can have a real-world impact and help spread community awareness. Lesson extensions to other applicable youth fire education are noted in each lesson.

Lesson Topics Include:

- Geography & Landscapes
- Cultural Fire
- Fire Physics & Ignitions
- Butte County Wildfire Mitigation
- Fire Resistant Structures
- Family Preparedness
- Wildfire Emergency Response



All program resources are available for download on our website. Follow the link to the program page: [Wildfire in the Foothills](http://buttefiresafe.net)

For more education resources, go to our main page buttefiresafe.net >> Programs >> Education Programs.

For more information, or if you are a classroom teacher interested in piloting the program, please contact Lauren de Terra at Laurendeterra@buttefiresafe.net.

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