



## 2020 Alabama History Institutes: Grades 3-6

### Alabama's Longleaf Pine: A Closer Look

Solon Dixon Forestry Education Center, Andalusia

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Get ready to learn more about the majestic longleaf pine and its important role in Alabama's history in **Alabama's Longleaf Pine: A Closer Look**. Once covering 92 million acres of the American southeast, this forest is now found on only 3 million acres. Participants will spend three days at the Solon Dixon Forestry Education Center, amid 5,300 acres of forests, swamps, springs, and river frontage. Hear from Rhett Johnson, the co-founder and president of the Longleaf Alliance, Inc. and co-author of *Longleaf, Far as the Eye Can See*; Roger Reid, author of the children's novel *Longleaf* and writer, director, and producer of the award-winning TV series *Discovering Alabama*; and Renee Raney, author of *Hairy, Scary, but Mostly Merry Fairies*. Teachers will participate in hands-on activities, field trips, and receive numerous classroom resources that will equip them to share the story of Alabama's biodiversity in their schools and classrooms.

