

# New Action Update-Green Design for Schools

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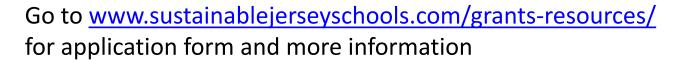
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#### FREE Technical Assistance with Energy Actions

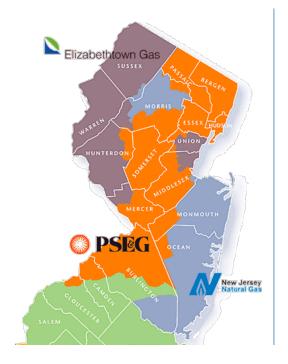
Partnership with the *Environmental Defense Fund* and *New Jersey Natural Gas* (NJNG) to assist school districts and municipalities within <u>NJNG service territory</u> in completing Sustainable Jersey energy actions.

Full-time, on-site support for 10 weeks in the summer of 2018, for energy projects such as:

- Improving building performance through energy efficiency analysis, planning, and upgrades
- Renewable energy
- Other energy-related improvements



Application Deadline: Friday, April 13, 2018 at 11:59pm





## 2018 Certification Cycle

- January 19 Initial Application Deadline
- Late February Reviewer Comments
- ✓ March 30 Second Submission
- Early May Reviewer Comments
- June 22 Final Application Submission
- Early August Certified Schools Notified
- October Certified Schools Celebration



Long Branch Middle School - Champion Award



Jackson School District - 10 schools



## Webinar Agenda

- New Actions
  - Green Building Policy
  - Green Building Training
  - Design/Build/Certify New Construction & Major Renovations using Green Standard
- Related Actions
  - Final Thoughts
- Question & Answer Session



## Why Green Design?

- Sustainable Mission- schools provide living labs for growing curricular emphases on technology and the environment.
- Better Learning- A healthier, more comfortable indoor environment stimulates learning, reduces student absences and increases teacher retention.









# Delran Schools kick off energy efficiency project



## Energy Savings = Budget Dollars

#### NJ is #2 in the nation for solar installation at schools

- The Lawrenceville School in Mercer County has the nations largest school solar array at 6.1 megawatts
- Medford BOE: Saving \$300K annually
- Long Branch BOE: Saving \$400K annually in behavior modification alone, plus an additional \$1million in solar pic.twitter.com/xgli0lFaZn
- Delran BOE: Generating 75% of district energy through solar panels, reducing energy bills by \$285K per year
- High Bridge BOE: Reduced energy use by 30% in just two months through behavior modification = \$19K (60 days)

#### Net Zero

A highly efficient building that, over the course of a year, produces from onsite renewable sources at least as much energy as it consumes.

- 126 verified and emerging "net zero" K-12 schools nation wide.
- In 2016, the US Dept of Energy established a <u>Zero Energy</u> Schools Accelerator.

#### Wilde Lake Middle School Opens as First Net-Zero School in Maryland

Monday, January 2nd 2017



## Green Building Policy

#### PRIORITY ACTION\* District Level 10 points

- Mandatory elements of policy:
- All new construction, major additions & modernization projects follow a high performance building standard
- Establish priorities guiding the design process
- Require an annual presentation to BOE summarizing district projects that incorporate the green building standard
- Require all new construction & major renovation projects that include energy efficiency & conservation to participate in the NJ Board of Public Utilities Clean Energy program rebate and/or any grant and design assistance programs and other financial assistance programs offered by the local utility company.

#### Green Standards

- LEED
- Collaborative for High Performance Schools (CHPS)
- Green Globes









## **Green Building Training**

- School or District Level 10 points
  - Open to green team members & staff
  - Training that occurred within the last 24 months
  - Training can occur internally or externally. Webinars are OK too!
  - Upload documentation showing that at least five district or school personnel each completed a minimum of two hours of green building professional training.
  - See Resources section for training providers

## Design, Build or Certify

#### School Level 10-50 points

- PRE-REQUISITE: Must pass Green Building Policy
- Bid Project to a Green Standard: 10 points (unfinished projects only)
- Build Project to a Green Standard: **20 points**
- Certify Project to a Green Standard: 50 points



# Building Design & Construction Process

Programming/ Concept

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2 Schematic Design

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**3**Design
Development

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Construction Documents

**5** Construction

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6 Certification & Occupancy

# The Integrative Design Process



Typical Relationship



Sustainable Relationship

Additional Roles & Responsibilities Building Users Owner Community 140 rest 49. Comm. Auth. Facilities Mont. Architect. Planning Staff Energy Modeler Structural Eng. Facilities O&M **Product Mfrs. MEP Subcontractors** Integrative Contractor/Builder **Approach** Acoustic Spc. Tech. Contractor Cost Estimator Landscape Arch. Construction Mol. Plumbing Eng. Mechanical Eng." Electrical Eng Lighting D&A Ecologist Civil Eng.

# Phase 1: Programming/Concept

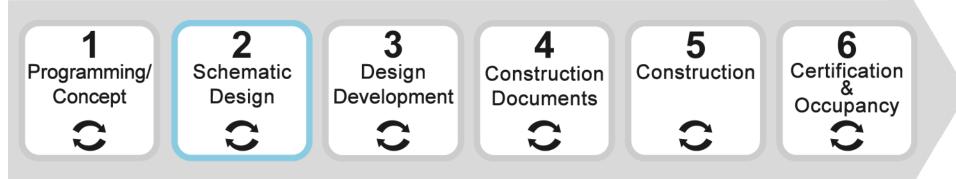


- Understand owner needs, priorities, and special considerations.
- Select team.
- Select site.
- Set goals.

## Critical Items to Address Early

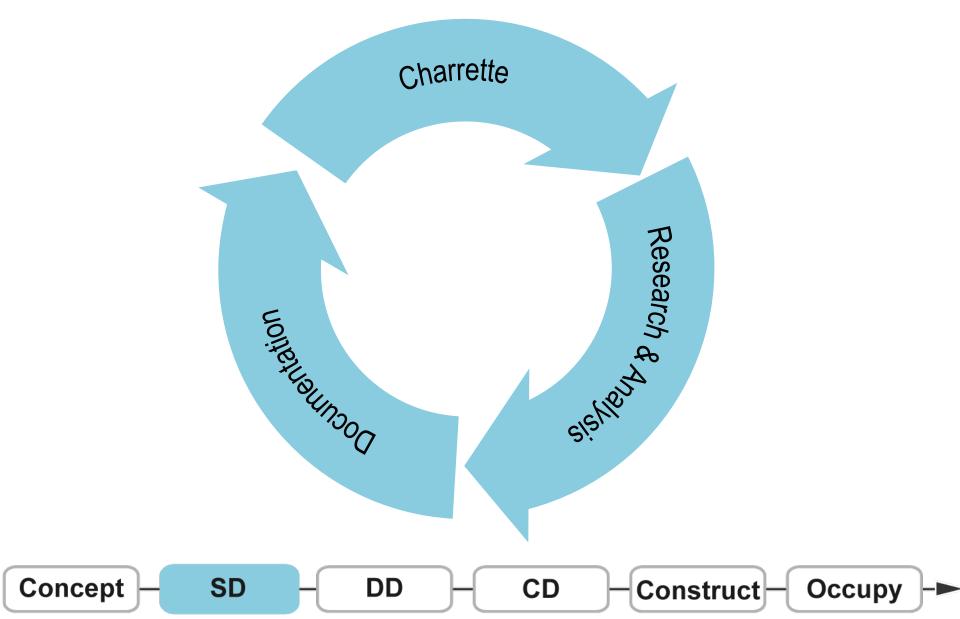
- ✓ Meet all LEED prerequisites
- ✓ LT Brownfield Redevelopment (e.g., soil remediation)
- ✓ EA Enhanced Commissioning (e.g., OPR and BOD)
- ✓ MR Construction Waste Management (e.g., demolition)
- ✓ Others

# Phase 2: Schematic Design



- Design charrette
- Research and analysis
- Pre-certification (CS rating system only)

# Ongoing Iterative Cycle



## Confirm All Prerequisites

- SS Construction Pollution Prevention
- WE Minimum Indoor Water Efficiency (20% better)
- WE Minimum Outdoor Water Efficiency (30%)
- WE Whole Building Water Metering
- EA Minimum Energy Performance ASHRAE 90.1 (5/3%)
- EA Fundamental Commissioning ASHRAE
- EA Fundamental refrigerant management
- EA Building Level Metering
- MR Project Recycling 5 basics + 2 of 3 others
- MR Construction Waste Plan & Reporting
- IEQ Minimum Indoor Air Quality Performance ASHRAE 62.1
- IEQ Environmental Tobacco Smoke



# Phase 3: Design Development



- Verify and validate decisions made in schematic design.
- Research materials and products.
- Integrate LEED into specs and drawings.
- Conduct commissioning.

## Design Development Outcomes

- Refined materials and products research
- Refined energy model
- "Preliminary" calculations
- Design development documents

## Phase 4: Construction Documents



- Finalize drawings and specifications.
- Prepare and submit LEED design credits.
- Receive and respond to LEED design phase review.

## Phase 5: Construction

Programming/ Concept

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2 Schematic Design

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**3**Design
Development

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4 Construction Documents

**5** Construction

Certification & Occupancy

- Pre-bid meetings
- Bid/award
- Pre-construction
- Construction
- Close-out and turn over

#### Don't Lose Credits

#### Submittals

✓ Be certain to obtain complete submittal information prior to approval.



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## Construction

- Include LEED in project meeting agendas.
- Coordinate with designers and subcontractors.
- Collect back-up documentation and photographs.
- Build LEED into submittal process.
- Review typical submittal.
- Collect periodic "LEED progress reports."

# Construction Waste Management Plan

Possible ID credit (95% Recycling)





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## Construction Indoor Air Quality Plan

Sheet Metal and Air Conditioning Contractor's National Association (www.smacna.org)

- HVAC protection
- Pathway interruption
- Housekeeping
- Scheduling
- Source control



## Other Plans

- Erosion & Sedimentation Control Plan
- Measurement & Verification Plan
- Flush-out versus testing



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## Close-out & Turn Over

- Training
- Operations and Maintenance manual
- Confirm facilities team (manuals, training)



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#### Outcomes of Construction Phase

- Finalized LEED construction credit submittal
- Confirmed LEED design credit approval
- Completed building



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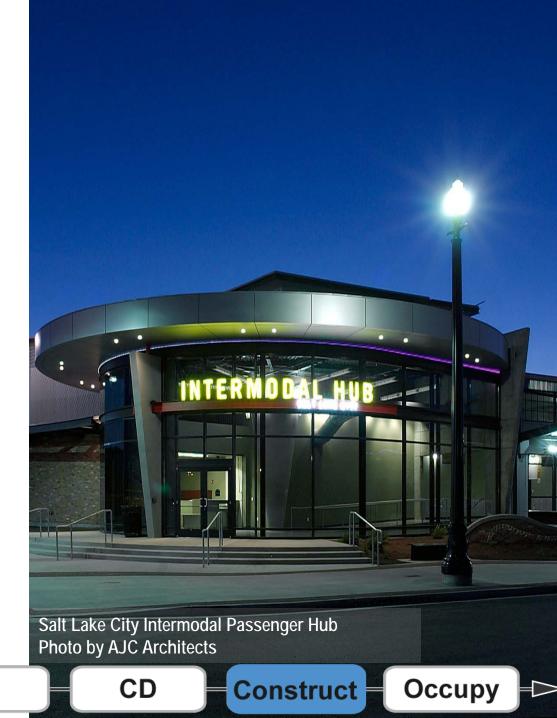
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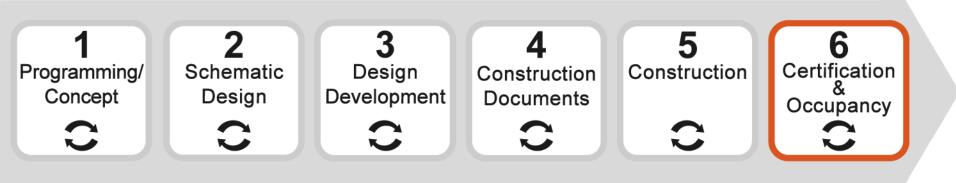
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# Summary

- Proactively coach contractors/ subcontractors who are new to LEED.
- Put the right plans in place – then follow them.
- Keep a binder by credit for documentation.
- Tie payment to plan and credit submission



# Phase 6: Certification & Occupancy



- Receive certification or appeal process
- Feedback
- Ongoing education
- Register for LEED for Existing Buildings: Operations
   & Maintenance

# Ongoing Education



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# Ongoing Education



- LEED Implementation
- Energy Efficiency
- Indoor Environmental Quality
- Sustainability Policy Development
- Green Cleaning Implementation
- Green Your Existing Building
- Climate Resilient Design/Planning
- Carbon Footprint Reduction
- Healthy& Green Materials
- WELL Building Implementation
- Net Zero Energy, Water & Waste

http://www.greenbuildingcenter.com/education.html

## Tips

- Choose a Design Professional well versed in Green Design
- Benchmark. Understand your current efficiency and where you want to go
- Engage Operations & Maintenance staff
- Use the building as a learning lab. Incorporate sustainability into the school's curriculum and culture



## Related Actions for Existing Buildings

#### **Energy Efficiency**

- Behavior Based Energy Conservation Programs
- Energy Efficiency for School Facilities
- Energy Tracking & Management

#### **Climate Mitigation & Energy Efficiency**

- School Carbon Footprint
- Buy Renewable Electricity
- Energy Aggregation
- Solar & Geothermal



## Related Actions for Existing Buildings

#### **Green Purchasing Actions**

- Green Purchasing Policy
- Recycled Paper Purchase



Energy Efficient Appliance or Equipment Purchase

#### **Green Cleaning**

- Green Cleaning Policy
- Green Cleaning Supplies
- Green Cleaning Equipment
- Green Cleaning Training & Education Programs



## Related Actions for Existing Buildings

#### **Healthy School Environments**

- Indoor Air Quality Review
- Integrated Pest Management- Education & Organic Lawn Care
- Classroom Chemical Purchase, Storage & Disposal Policy

#### **Board Leadership & Planning**

Sustainability Policy

#### **School Grounds**

- Green Infrastucture Assessment & Plan
- Green Infrastructure Installation



#### Questions?

Sustainable Jersey for Schools is here to help!

Contact Veronique Lambert at 609-771-3427 or schools@sustainablejersey.com

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