



New Sustainable Jersey for Schools Funding Opportunity Available! 2019-2020 Grants Cycle Funded by NJEA



The New Jersey Education Association (NJEA), as a Sustainable Jersey for Schools program Underwriter, is contributing \$180,000 to support a Sustainable Jersey for Schools Grants Program cycle. With this contribution, NJEA has provided \$1,250,000 to support a sustainable future for children and communities across the state. This cycle offers **ten \$10,000 district or school project grants and forty \$2,000 school green team grants**. The funding support efforts to implement projects that help participating schools gain points needed for Sustainable Jersey for Schools certification and make progress toward a sustainable future. Check to see if your school is eligible [here](#).



A free informational webinar that will go through the details of the cycle and a walk-through of the online grant application process will be held on Thursday, September 19, from 3:00-4:00PM. Register for the webinar [here](#).

To learn more about this opportunity and to access the online grant applications, please click [here](#). To download a PDF of the flyer to share with others in your school community, please click [here](#). If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact Kaitlyn Vollmer, Grants Program Coordinator, at grants@sustainablejersey.com or at (609) 771-3189.

Application Deadline: Thursday, October 31 at 11:59PM

New August Sustainability Hero: New Jersey School Board Association



To celebrate Sustainable Jersey's 10th Anniversary, we are sharing the stories of sustainability heroes who have contributed to Sustainable Jersey over the years. Read about the accomplishments of the New Jersey School Boards Association (NJSBA). NJSBA's leadership and vision helped make Sustainable Jersey for Schools possible and a special thank you is due to five of the NJSBA sustainability heroes who have been a part of the Sustainable Jersey for Schools journey: Lawrence S. Feinsod, Ed.D; Donald Webster Jr.; John Bulina; Patrice Maillet and John Henry. Learn more on the [Sustainable Jersey Heroes page](#).

Become a PowerSave School!



Sustainable Jersey has partnered with New Jersey Natural Gas (NJNG) and the Alliance to Save Energy to bring the PowerSave Schools program to thirty five schools within NJNG's service area. **Thirteen additional Sustainable Jersey-registered schools, along with twenty two returning, will be admitted for the 2019-2020 school year.** PowerSave Schools directly engages students with Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) principles to promote energy literacy throughout lesson plans, activities and competitions.

The PowerSave activities are parallel to [action items](#) in the Sustainable Jersey for Schools program, with the opportunity for schools to earn points toward certification while integrating student and faculty engagement that results in innovating energy-efficient projects and ideas for best practices which other schools can learn from. For more information, visit our [website](#).

Not in the NJNG territory? Review the Sustainable Jersey for Schools action '[Behavior Based Energy Conservation](#)' for ideas on how you can empower students and staff to save energy and trim your budget.

[Application Deadline](#): Friday, August 23 at 11:59PM



Upcoming Events

Duke Farms' Professional Development: Conservation Projects

Duke Farms' Professional Development programs are designed to get educators comfortable using the environment as an integrated context for learning. Duke Farms' Manager of Restoration Mike Bellaus will explain and demonstrate a behind-the-scenes view of Duke Farms' ongoing habitat regeneration, stewardship, monitoring, and overall conservation projects. For more information, visit the [website](#).

Friday, August 9, 9:00AM-11:30AM

Duke Farms Coach Barn
80 Route 206 South, Hillsborough Township, NJ 08844

[REGISTER](#) - Fee applies

Preparing for a Group Trip Workshop

This workshop is for teachers and groups leaders who have been thinking about organizing a group trip for your school or organization to Duke Farms or, if you have already been there, a way to look for new ideas to engage students. The day will be arranged to accommodate teachers as well as other group leaders. Time will be available in the afternoon to gain lesson plan ideas and resources. For more information, visit the [website](#).

Thursday, August 15, 8:30AM-3:00PM

Duke Farms Coach Barn
80 Route 206 South, Hillsborough Township, NJ 08844

Alliance For New Jersey Environmental Education's Fall Conference: "Environmental Education Outdoors: A Force for the Future"

The Alliance for New Jersey Environmental Education will be holding this conference for environmental professionals in New Jersey designed to promote innovation, networking, learning and dissemination of best practices. For more information visit the [website](#).

Friday, September 27, 8:00AM-4:30PM

Duke Farms Coach Barn

80 Route 206 South, Hillsborough Township NJ 08844

[REGISTER](#) - Fee applies

Resources

Environmental Protection Agency's "Knowledge to Action" Indoor Air Quality Webinars

Topics include: Gaining Buy-in for Optimal Ventilation, Mold Moisture & Money, Using Data to Address Asthma in Schools
Healthy Schools & Healthy Students: Improving IAQ.

All pre-recorded webinars are available [here](#)

Environmental Protection Agency's Sustainable Materials Management Web Academy

Topics include: Construction Debris Management, Sustainable Food Waste & Materials, Waste Reduction Model, State & Local Organic Ban Planning, Disaster Debris Recovery Tools, and more.

All pre-recorded webinars are available [here](#)

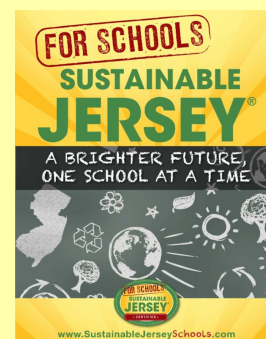
North American Association For Environmental Education's Sustainability Webinar Series

Each month the North American Association for Environmental Education holds hour-long webinars concerning key interests to environmental professionals, with the goal of raising the bar of environmental education programs. Topics include: Systems Thinking, Diversity & Inclusion in Environmental Education, Telling Your Story with Web Mapping Technology, and more! Upcoming live webinars to be announced.

All pre-recorded and upcoming webinars are available [here](#)

Download Program Resources

- [Brochure](#)
- [Fact Sheet](#)
- [District Registration Instructions](#)
- [School Registration Instruction](#)



We hope you will join us to take steps to create a brighter future, one school at a time! If you have questions, email us at schools@sustainablejersey.com or visit www.SustainableJerseySchools.com

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