# SUSTAINABLE JERSEY FOR SCHOOLS

331 Districts 864 Schools Participating



# Certified Schools Spotlight: Raritan High School & Cape May City Elementary Work to Ditch Plastic

Students across New Jersey are pushing for their schools to operate more sustainably, starting with the lunch line. Working with teachers and district staff, they are helping schools figure out how to compost food waste and get rid of single-use plastic products; ultimately, they want washable, reusable products in the cafeteria. **Read the full article here**.







# Graduate Student Talent Matched with 3 School Districts and 6 Towns to Work on High-Value Energy Savings

Sustainable Jersey is pairing three <u>Environmental Defense Fund (EDF) Climate Corps</u> Fellows with school districts and municipalities to provide expertise and support for evaluation, planning and implementation of projects that will help improve the energy performance of their buildings. This technical assistance program is funded by New Jersey Natural Gas.

The New Jersey school districts and municipalities paired with an EDF Fellow in 2019 are:

- MONMOUTH COUNTY: West Long Branch School District, Borough of Keyport, Borough of Red Bank, Manalapan Township, and Neptune Township
- MORRIS COUNTY: Mount Arlington Public Schools and the Township of Parsippany-Troy Hills
- OCEAN COUNTY: Barnegat Board of Education
- SUSSEX COUNTY: Borough of Hopatcong

For the full story and more information, click here.

# June 24th: FINAL Deadline to Submit Applications for

If your school is participating in Sustainable Jersey for Schools and would like to be recognized for its sustainability efforts with bronze or silver certification at the October 2019 New Jersey School Boards Association Workshop, please keep in mind that June 24th is the final deadline for certification applications.



Applicants for Sustainable Jersey for Schools certification are supported through the process, with three opportunities to submit applications for review and feedback from January to June. For more information click <a href="here">here</a> or contact us at schools@sustainablejersey.com.

Looking ahead to 2020? Then please check out these helpful resources:

- Recorded certification webinars
- Application User Guide
- Master Action Tracking Spreadsheet



50 Experts Lead 12 Sessions at 2019 NJ Sustainability Summit

Join us for the New Jersey Sustainability Summit on June 14, 2019 from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm.

Water, energy, education, waste, social equity - you name it and we have a session planned. A total of 12 sustainability breakout sessions will allow you to dig deeper into the dimensions of sustainability. Local leaders will guide each session and review current challenges. You'll come away with a clear sense of the state of the movement, new ideas about what can be done to make progress, an expanded network of fellow practitioners, and the inspiration to go back and continue to drive change one municipality or school at a time.

12 Sustainability Sessions: Help us celebrate our Sustainable Jersey's 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary at the NJ Sustainability Summit: Friday, June 14, 2019 at The Bell Works, Holmdel, NJ.

#### REGISTER FOR THE SUSTAINABILITY SUMMIT

Not yet registered? Join an amazing group of 500 change-makers from across the political, private and public sectors. **Register and learn more**: bit.ly/SustainabilitySummit19



# Don't miss the boat...or the car!

Nissan North America is offering a special \$5,000 rebate on the 2019 Nissan LEAF to Sustainable Jersey participants! Now through July 1st, download a copy of the ad: <a href="https://bit.ly/2VMolsu">https://bit.ly/2VMolsu</a> and bring it to a Nissan dealer within NJ. Read more <a href="here.">here.</a>

# Welcome Newly Registered Districts & Schools

Camden County Gibbsboro Elementary School

Essex County Livingston Public Schools Livingston Senior High School Monmouth County Manalapan-Englishtown Regional School District It's time once again for the NJDEP's annual recycling awards program! Nominations are due Friday, July 26 and awardees will be notified in September. Award winners will be honored at the Association of New Jersey Recyclers Symposium and Awards Luncheon on Oct. 10, 2019 in Neptune, Monmouth County.

Click <u>here for the application</u> - available at <u>recycle.nj.gov</u> (scroll down to Recycling News box) and on our Recycling Awards webpage found at <a href="https://www.nj.gov/dep/dshw/recycling/awards.htm">https://www.nj.gov/dep/dshw/recycling/awards.htm</a>.

#### **UPCOMING TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES**

#### INDOOR AIR QUALITY (IAQ) TRAINING by PEOSH/NJADP

Various dates & locations 8am-12:30pm. FREE. Register here.

This free training supports the <u>Indoor Air Quality Review</u> and <u>Asthma Friendly School</u> actions in the Sustainable Jersey for Schools program, which require staff training.

June 7 - Robbinsville, NJ

# YOUR GREEN CLEANING FRAMEWORK: 5 STEPS TO GREEN CLEANING IN SCHOOLS June 20th 12:00pm-1:00pm. FREE. Register here.

This webinar will introduce Healthy Schools Campaign's definitive guide, The 5 Steps to Green Cleaning in Schools. A case study of implementation at a K-12 school district will be presented. Knowledge received from this training can be applied to the <u>Green Cleaning Training Action</u> in the Sustainable Jersey for Schools program.

# EPA "KNOWLEDGE TO ACTION" ON DEMAND INDOOR AIR QUALITY WEBINARS Recordings available here.

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

#### EPA SUSTAINABLE MATERIALS MANAGEMENT WEB ACADEMY

On Demand Food Waste & Recycling Webinars available here.

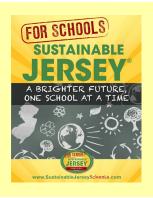
#### NORTH AMERICAN ASSOCIATION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION (NAAEE)

Free Monthly Webinar Series, live & recorded (ongoing)

Topics include: Systems Thinking, Diversity & Inclusion in Environmental Education, Telling Your Story with Web Mapping Technology, and more!
Upcoming Live Webinars in the series

# **Download Program Resources**

- Brochure
- Fact Sheet
- <u>District Registration Instructions</u>
- 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 <a href="mailto:schools@sustainablejersey.com">schools@sustainablejersey.com</a> or visit <a href="mailto:www.SustainableJerseySchools.com">www.SustainableJerseySchools.com</a>.

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