

352 Districts

968 Schools

Participating

Climate Change Curriculum Resources

In June 2020, New Jersey became the first state in the nation to incorporate climate change education across its K-12 learning standards when the New Jersey State Board of Education updated the <u>New Jersey Student Learning</u> <u>Standards</u>. The update included "Climate Change education across all content areas, leveraging the passion students have shown for this critical issue and providing them opportunities to develop a deep understanding of the science behind the changes and to explore the solutions our world desperately needs."



Sustainable Jersey for Schools has compiled a list of curriculum resources to support educators seeking to incorporate climate change education into their pre-K - 12 lessons. Visit our <u>Climate Change Curriculum Resources</u> page.

New Jersey School Boards Association Facebook Live Event

On June 24, the New Jersey School Boards Association hosted a Facebook Live event to discuss what the climate change education guidelines will mean going forward for educators across the state. The event also presented strategies that other schools have used to incorporate climate change into their curricula. To view a recording of this event, click <u>here</u>.

Upcoming Sustainable Jersey for Schools Webinars

Digital Schools- Transition to Sustainable Jersey for Schools

Sustainable Jersey for Schools is pleased to announce the formation of the Sustainable Jersey Digital Schools Program. The program is funded in part by the New Jersey Department of Education and the New Jersey School Boards Association and endorsed by New Jersey Leadership for Educational Excellence. It will build on the legacy of the Future Ready Schools - New Jersey (FRS-NJ) program by integrating FRS-NJ topical



areas and content into the Sustainable Jersey for Schools certification program, which the original FRS-NJ program was modeled after. Join us for an informative webinar on transitioning your Future Ready Schools activities into the new Sustainable Jersey Digital Schools program.

Wednesday, August 5, 2020, 10:00am - 11:00am REGISTER

Upcoming Award Nomination Opportunities

2020 NJDEP Recycling Awards Program Application

The New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP), in conjunction with the Association of New Jersey Recyclers (ANJR), annually recognizes excellence in recycling. The goal is to highlight the success of agencies, businesses, individuals, and others who go beyond the norm to advance recycling and to make these examples available to others who may emulate them. A number of award categories are available. For more information, view the <u>Nomination Packet</u>.

Application Deadline: Friday, July 31, 2020

2020 ANJEE Educator Award Nominations

The Alliance for New Jersey Environmental Education is seeking nominations for its 2020 Excellence in Environmental Education Awards. Categories for nomination include environmental educators in the formal (individual or partnership) or non-formal sector (works with schools or the public at large), environmental educators in higher education, volunteer-led groups that support local environmental education, and lifetime achievement. Winners will be honored at an awards event in early 2021, time and place to be determined based on COVID-19 Pandemic restrictions. For more information or to nominate a talented environmental education professional, click <u>here</u>.

Application Deadline: Saturday, October 31, 2020

Other Funding Opportunities

DEADLINE EXTENDED for NJDEP to Fund \$45 Million in Electrification of Transportation Sector

In celebration of Earth Day and the NJ Department of Environmental Protection's 50th Birthday, the Department has announced that it is seeking to fund \$37.2 million worth of projects that convert diesel vehicles to electric power. This funding can be used to cover the cost of electric school buses. Funding will be prioritized in disproportionately impacted communities. For more information, and to apply, click <u>here</u>.

Proposal Deadline EXTENDED: Wednesday, July 22, 2020

Applications for the NJDEP It Pay\$ to Plug In program for Level 1 and Level 2 electric vehicle charging stations are being accepted now and will be considered on a first-come, first-served basis.

To submit an application for the It Pay\$ to Plug In program, clickhere.

These opportunities support the Sustainable Jersey for Schools Sustainable Fleets action.

Mark Your Calendars!

Sustainable Jersey for Schools events, trainings, funding opportunities, and more!

• Aug. 5: Digital Schools- Transition to Sustainable Jersey for Schools Webinar

Download Program Resources

- Brochure
- Fact Sheet
- District Registration Instruction
- <u>School Registration Instruction</u>

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 <u>schools@sustainablejersey.com</u> or visit <u>www.SustainableJerseySchools.com</u>



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