



352 Districts

969 Schools

Participating

New Sustainable Jersey for Schools Funding Opportunity Available! 2020-2021 Grants Cycle Funded by NJEA



The New Jersey Education Association (NJEA), a Sustainable Jersey for Schools program Underwriter, is contributing \$180,000 to support a Sustainable Jersey for Schools Grants Program cycle. The cycle offers ten \$10,000 district or school project grants and forty \$2,000 school green team grants. With this contribution, NJEA has provided \$1,500,000 to support a sustainable future for children and communities across the state. The funding supports efforts to implement projects that help participating schools make progress toward a sustainable future and gain points needed for Sustainable Jersey for Schools certification. To see if you are eligible for this grant, click [here](#).

In recognition of the radically altered environment schools face due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the national movement for racial justice, project proposals that support teaching and learning in a virtual or hybrid environment and those that address equity and anti-bias initiatives are encouraged. Additionally, Sustainable Jersey will be flexible with all grant recipient requests to modify their project scope, timeline, and budget due to changing circumstances.

Informational Webinar

An informational webinar will be held on **Thursday, August 20, from 3:00pm - 4:00pm**. Register for the webinar [here](#) to learn more about this opportunity and walk-through of the online grant application process.



Visit our [website](#) for more information or download a [flyer](#) to share with others in your school community. 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: Friday, October 30, 2020, 11:59pm

New Sustainable Jersey Webinar Recordings

EDF Fellows 'Getting Started' Guide to Energy Actions

Want to start tracking your energy use, but don't know where to start? Sustainable Jersey's 2020 Environmental Defense Fund fellows are here to help! This webinar discussed tips for streamlining data collection, reading energy bills, and how to easily organize and track energy use and costs.

[View Recording](#)

FRS-NJ Transition to Sustainable Jersey for Schools

On June 2nd Sustainable Jersey announced the formation of the Sustainable Jersey Digital Schools Program. This webinar will orient Future Ready Schools-New Jersey participants to the Sustainable Jersey for Schools program including how to register, the program structure, application process, resources, and the timeline for applying for certification in the upcoming school year.

[View Recording](#)

Curriculum Training & Resources

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 [New Jersey Student Learning Standards](#). 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 [Climate Change Curriculum Resources](#) page.

Summer Syllabus Remote Training Resources

Tap into virtual training resources to brush up on your sustainability knowledge! Visit the Sustainable Jersey for Schools [Summer Syllabus webpage](#) of virtual resources available for professional development. Use the summer as an opportunity to maximize your certification points in the [Professional Development for Sustainability action](#). Earn up to 20 points: 5 points for every 5 staff and/or board members who have each completed at least two hours of training.

Upcoming Award Nomination Opportunities

2020 Governor's Environmental Excellence Award Application

The Governor's Environmental Excellence Awards Program is New Jersey's premier awards program for recognizing outstanding environmental performance, programs and projects throughout the state. These awards recognize individuals, businesses, institutions, communities, organizations, educators, youth and others who have made significant contributions to environmental protection in New Jersey. For more information about the program and qualifications, click [here](#).

[Application Deadline: Friday, October 2, 2020, 5:00pm](#)

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 [here](#).

Application Deadline: Saturday, October 31, 2020

Other Event Recordings

iSTEAM and Sustainability-Integrated Lessons - 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.

[View Recording](#)

Mark Your Calendars!

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

- **Aug. 20:** NJEA Webinar
 - **Oct. 30:** NJEA Grant Application Deadline
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Download Program Resources

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