



SUSTAINABLE JERSEY FOR SCHOOLS

226 Districts 555 Schools
Participating



Resource Spotlight: ANJR School Recycling Video Series

Looking to improve your school recycling in 2017? [The Association New Jersey Recyclers](#) has traveled to New Jersey schools and produced a "[Recycling In Our Schools](#)" video series to help you tackle some of the Sustainable Jersey for Schools Waste Management Actions such as "[How to Conduct A Waste Audit](#)".

Check out what other Sustainable Jersey for Schools certified schools are doing about recycling. 2017 Elementary School Champion, [Reeds Road Elementary](#) in Galloway Township was approved for 40 points in the [Waste Management & Recycling category](#). Scroll down to the bottom of their Certification Report to read their story and see their recycling program documentation [here](#).

Did you know that additional assistance is available in right in your community? Contact your [county/municipal recycling coordinator](#) for education programs, collection bins, grants and recycling guidance.

Reminder: Upcoming Grant Webinar December 1st 3:30-4:30

An informational webinar for the first Sustainable Jersey for Schools grant cycle of 2017 will be held on December 1, 2016 3:30-4:30pm. To participate, register [online here](#).

Visit the Sustainable Jersey for Schools [Grants & Resources](#) page to learn more about funding for registered schools to support action related sustainability initiatives. If your school has not received a \$2,000 capacity building grant from Sustainable Jersey for Schools, we strongly suggest attending the webinar and submitting an application for 2017.

[Application Deadline](#) is February 3, 2017. Click [here](#) for more information.



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Welcome Newly Registered Schools & Districts!

Bergen County

Colonial Road School (Franklin Lakes)
Woodside Avenue Elementary School (Franklin Lakes)

Cape May County

Cape May Special Services School District

Morris County

Harding Township Elementary School

Camden County

Pennsauken High School
Runnemede Public School District

NJHI: Next Generation Community Leaders Youth Engagement Grants

[New Jersey Health Initiatives: Next Generation Community Leaders](#) is intended to further the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation's vision of building a Culture of Health by leveraging the strengths of youth to affect change in their communities. This program will support communities in preparing the next generation of civic and community leaders by providing them with the resources and technical assistance they need to focus the time, talent, and energy of youth and providing the youth with an opportunity to make meaningful change in their communities through summer employment on a self-designed, community-focused project. At the conclusion of this three-year initiative, successful grantees will have engaged teams of 10-15 youth in the following actions:

- Developing Civic Engagement and Leadership Skills
- Participating in Meaningful Summer Employment
- Participating in Civic Engagement Opportunities
- Actively Engaging in an Alumni Network

Grants will total up to \$200,000 per grantee over three years, beginning July 2017. Visit NJHI information page [here](#).

[Application Deadline: January 12, 2017](#)

USDA Farm to School Grant Program Request for Applications Now Available

The purpose of the [USDA Farm to School Grant Program](#) is to assist eligible entities in implementing farm to school programs that improve access to local foods in eligible schools. On an annual basis, USDA awards up to \$5 million in competitive grants for training, supporting operations, planning, purchasing equipment, developing school gardens, developing partnerships, and implementing farm to school programs. Visit USDA the information page [here](#).

[Application Deadline: December 8, 2016](#)

NJDEP Conserve Wildlife Matching Grant Program

With funding from the Conserve Wildlife License Plate renewal fund, the NJDEP Division of Fish and Wildlife's Endangered and Nongame Species Program (ENSP) offers small matching grants for projects that advance nongame wildlife conservation and education. Approved projects are funded on a single-year basis and must be located in New Jersey. Grants are awarded every other year.

The total amount available through the [Conserve Wildlife Matching Grant Program](#) in 2017 is \$39,000. The maximum request per proposal is \$3,500 (\$1,000 is the minimum). This is a 1:1 matching grant; therefore grant funds cannot exceed 50% of the total project cost. At least 25% of the grantee's share of project funding must be monetary, and the remainder may be from in-kind support.

Nonprofit 501(c)(3) or 501(c)(4) organizations are eligible to apply. Partner with your School Foundation or a local environmental nonprofit to bring project funds to your school.

TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES WITH SUSTAINABLE JERSEY FOR SCHOOLS PARTNERS

DECEMBER 8, 2016 9:30-3:30PM or
JANUARY 20, 2017 9:30-3:30, Trenton, NJ

[NJSBA Sustainable Practices Working Sessions](#)

In the one-day sessions, participants will review a Sustainability Wellness Check, which will be in alignment with the Sustainable Jersey for Schools certification program. Board members will receive three board member academy credits for participation in this working session. Register for this **free** training [here](#).

DECEMBER 1 & 14, 2016, 4:00P- 5:00PM, Free Webinar Series
Eco-Schools USA

[Conducting A Student-Led Energy Audit and Action Plan](#), December 1st, 4-5pm

[Conducting Student-Led Audits for Water Consumption & Waste](#), December 14th 4-5pm

**Please note that student led energy audits do not meet the criteria for the Sustainable Jersey for Schools Energy Audit action, but can serve as practical educational tools. [Eco-Schools](#) is an international program, hosted in the US by the National Wildlife Federation.*

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! Visit the NAAEE page [here](#).

SCHOOL INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT TRAINING 2016-2016

NJ Association for Designated Persons, NJDEP, NJ School Buildings & Grounds Association

Throughout the state, every month beginning in November

See the complete schedule for dates & locations [here](#).

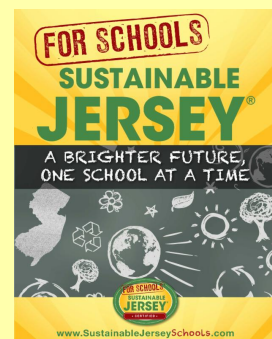
NJ DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, Podcast series (ongoing)

"Discover DEP"

[Episode 25- Environmental Education w/ Tanya Oznowich, Environmental Education Supervisor](#)

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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