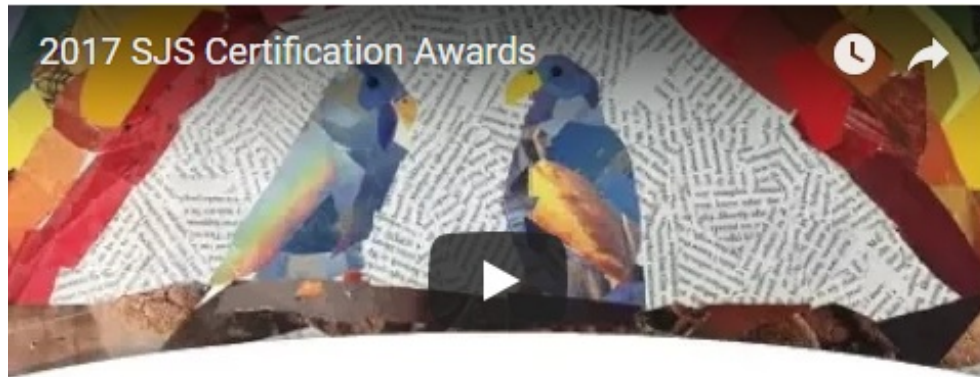




SUSTAINABLE JERSEY FOR SCHOOLS

280 Districts 695 Schools
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Sustainable Jersey for Schools **2017 ANNUAL AWARDS**

2017 NJ School and District Sustainability Awards Announced

Award recipients from Delran Township Schools, Lawrence Township Public Schools
and Long Branch School District

Sustainable Jersey for Schools announced the three schools and two school districts that are the recipients of the 2017 Sustainable Jersey for Schools special awards. Awardees are from Delran Township Schools, Lawrence Township Public Schools and Long Branch School District. Representatives from these schools and districts accepted their awards at a reception during the New Jersey School Boards Association (NJSBA) Workshop 2017 on October 24th in Atlantic City. Read their stories [here](#).

2017 SUSTAINABILITY CHAMPION AWARDS:

Three schools from Long Branch School District (Monmouth County)

George L. Catrambone Elementary School with 485 points (silver-level certification)

Long Branch Middle School with 355 points (silver-level certification)

Long Branch High School with 285 points (bronze-level certification)

2017 SUSTAINABILITY MAKES \$ENSE AWARD:

Lawrence Township Public Schools (Mercer County)

Lawrence Township Public Schools in Mercer County received the Sustainability Makes \$ense Award that recognizes a district that has made exemplary progress in sustainability resulting in cost savings to the school district.

2017 GREEN TEAM COLLABORATION AWARD:

**Delran Township Schools Green Team and
the Delran Township Municipal Green Team (Burlington County)**

Delran Township Schools in Burlington County received the Green Team Collaboration Award that recognizes municipal and school green teams working together to advance sustainability.



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New Grants Announced to Fund Sustainability Projects

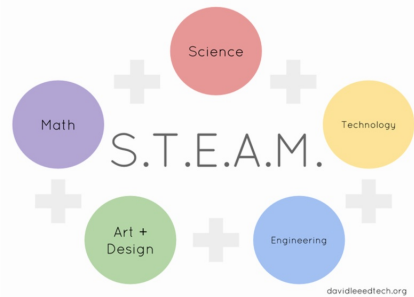
PSEG Foundation is contributing \$100,000 to support another cycle of the Sustainable Jersey for Schools Small Grants Program.

Funding supports efforts to implement projects that help schools gain points needed for Sustainable Jersey for Schools certification and make progress toward a sustainable future. For more information regarding the current opportunity, click [here](#).
Application Deadline: Friday, February 9, 2018

Learn About New Actions for 2018

Webinar: "New Actions & Updates for 2018" Thursday November 16, 2017 3:00-4:00pm

Join the Sustainable Jersey for Schools staff and members of the iSTEAM, Health & Wellness and Energy task force as we provide an overview of new program actions for the 2018 certification Cycle. Register [here](#).



Download the Sustainable Jersey for Schools 2018 Certification Cycle Timeline [here](#).

Sustainable Jersey for Schools Presentations at NJ School Boards Workshop now available online

Visit the "Events & Training" page on our website or click [here](#).

- FUNDING YOUR SUSTAINABILITY INITIATIVES
 - SUSTAINABILITY CHAMPIONS
 - BEHAVIORAL CHANGES OR BUILDING UPGRADES? TWO PATHS TO ENERGY EFFICIENCY IN YOUR DISTRICT
 - DIG IN! HOW WASTE AUDITS CAN IMPROVE YOUR RECYCLING RATE BUILDING A CULTURE TO HELP STUDENTS SUCCEED IN SCHOOL AND LIFE
 - FREE RESOURCES & SIMPLE STEPS TOWARDS SAFER ROUTES TO SCHOOL FOR YOUR STUDENTS
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Grants for K-12 Schools
Deadline 5pm ET November 3, 2017

The Nature Conservancy is awarding grants to support projects that implement green infrastructure to address local environmental challenges. These include: access to healthy food, air quality, heat island effect, climate change, and storm water collection. Young people will work as social innovators to help their communities through project design and implementation.

Grants of \$2,000 will be awarded to 60 public or charter schools across the United States. See the [detailed grant description](#) linked on this page for full requirements, guidelines, important dates, and online application information. Samples of an [application](#), an [applicant commitment letter](#), and an [administration letter of support](#) are also available. Visit the application website [here](#).

EPA 2017 School Bus Replacement and Retrofit Rebates

Deadline November 14th



This EPA rebate program encourages school bus fleet turnover so more children can ride buses with the cleanest emissions standards or buses that have been retrofitted to reduce emissions. The 2017 School Bus Rebate Program will provide over \$7 million to public and private fleet owners for the replacement or retrofit of older school buses. Up to \$1 million of the funding total will be available for retrofit funding requests in the selection process.

<https://www.epa.gov/cleandiesel/clean-diesel-rebates>



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Funds to Support STEAM Education at your School

Deadline November 9th

A National contest designed to boost interest and proficiency in Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math (STEAM), through challenging public school teachers and students

in grades 6-12 to show how STEAM can be applied to help improve their local community.

Contest applicants will have a chance to win a share of \$2 million in Samsung technology* for their school throughout the competition. <http://www.samsung.com/us/solvefortomorrow/index.html>

New Jersey Natural Gas Annual Kids & Conservation Poster and Video Contests



11th Annual Poster Contest

The poster contest is open to fifth grade classes within NJNG's service territory.

Three students each will have a chance to win the following prizes:

- * An individual tablet
- * Exciting and interactive Brain Show school assembly
- * \$1,000 contribution to their school toward an energy or environmental conservation project

- * \$100 gift card for their teacher

Seventh Annual Video Contest

The video contest is open to high school students (13 years and older) in NJNG's service territory.

Students can submit videos as an individual or group project for a chance to win:

- * \$500 for an individual video project
- * \$2,500 for a group class or club project
- * \$1,000 contribution to their school toward an energy conservation or environmental project
- * \$500 for the Viewer's Choice Award (selected by the public on the Asbury Park Press Web site, app.com)

[Click here](#) for additional information, fliers and rules. All entries need to be received by November 17, 2017.

TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES WITH SUSTAINABLE JERSEY FOR SCHOOLS PARTNERS

VERMONT ENERGY INVESTMENT CORPORATION

Nov 8, 2017 1:00pm

WEBINAR: ["Going Electric! Lessons and Planning for Electric School Buses"](#)

Of the nearly 400,000 yellow school buses operating in the United States, nearly all of them are powered by diesel fuel. Diesel school buses emit harmful pollutants, including particulates and greenhouse gases that negatively affect children's health and the overall environment. The adoption of new low or no emission electric school buses reduces children's exposure to diesel pollutants, reduces transportation sector greenhouse gas emissions, and helps lower fuel costs for school districts.

The Vermont Energy Investment Corporation's (VEIC) Transportation Efficiency team will be sharing what we have learned from our extensive experience, including managing the Massachusetts Department of Energy Resources electric school bus pilot project. Learn more [here](#).

PEOSH/NJADP STATEWIDE INDOOR AIR QUALITY TRAINING (Free)

Nov 17, 2017 8am-12:30 Waretown, NJ

Dec 15, 2017 8am-12:30 Metuchen, NJ

View 2017-2018 Schedule [here](#)

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.

UPCOMING LIVE WEBINAR November 9, 2017 1:00-2:00pm "A Proactive Approach to IAQ: Saving Monday & Protecting Health with Preventative Maintenance" Register [here](#).

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

NEW JERSEY SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION

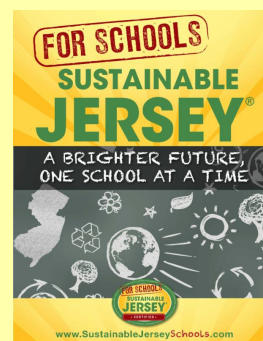
March 15, 9:00-3:00pm at NJSBA Headquarters, Trenton

[Sustainable Practices Working Session](#)

Participants will review a Sustainability Wellness Check, which will be in alignment with the Sustainable Jersey for Schools certification program. Board members will receive four board member academy credits and four sustainability credits for participation in this working session. NJSBA, in cooperation with the NJ Department of Education (NJDOE) and the NJ School Building and Grounds Association, is offering six Continuing Education Credits (#CE-00084) toward certification for schools facilities managers attending this program. Attendance can also contribute toward the sustainability training totals for Sustainable Jersey for Schools certification.

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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