



SUSTAINABLE JERSEY FOR SCHOOLS

264 Districts 655 Schools
Participating



Final Deadline for Sustainable Jersey for Schools 2017 Certification June 29th

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 2017 New Jersey School Boards Association Workshop, please keep in mind that June 29 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 [here](#) or contact us at schools@sustainablejersey.com. For those looking ahead to 2018, please check out our informative webinar series "[Preparing for Certification](#)".



2017 New Jersey Sustainability Summit Session Spotlight: Protecting Our Natural Resources: Local Action, Regional Impact

Plan now to attend the 2017 New Jersey Sustainability Summit and make sure to attend the breakout sessions. Water, energy, education, recycling, the arts - you name it and we have a session planned. A total of 12 sessions will allow you to dig deeper into the dimensions of sustainability. 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.

SESSION SPOTLIGHT: Protecting Our Natural Resources: Local Action, Regional Impact: Local

efforts to protect natural resources become critical when state and federal resources are no longer guaranteed. Learn how vigilance at the local level can help preserve our state and regional ecosystems and protect human health.

NJ Sustainability Summit: Wednesday, June 21, 2017 at The College of New Jersey
Register: <http://bit.ly/2017SummitRegister>

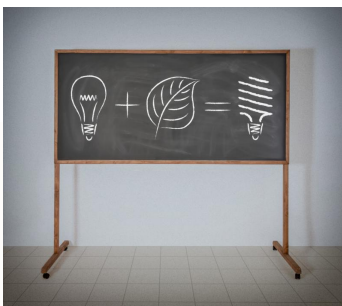


June 29th Deadline Approaching for Student & Staff Wellness Grants

If your district or school is participating in Sustainable Jersey for Schools and serves students in grades 6 and above, there is funding available to help you implement health and wellness actions.

The New Jersey Department of Health (NJ DOH), through its Maternal and Child Health Services Title V Block Grant, is providing \$120,000 for a [Sustainable Jersey Small Grants](#) Program cycle. The cycle will fund thirty \$4,000 awards to complete specific Sustainable Jersey for Schools health and wellness actions. Join us for a webinar on May 11th from 3:00-4:00pm to learn more about the programs and activities that could be funded by this grant and the online grant application process. The [grant application](#) deadline is **Friday, June 29, 2017**. Notification of grant awards will be made by the end of August, 2017 to implement actions in 2017-2018 school year.

RECORDED INFORMATIONAL WEBINAR: Available [here](#).



PowerSave Schools

Get free support and resources to educate students about energy efficiency and save money on your school's energy costs.

Sustainable Jersey is partnering with New Jersey Natural Gas (NJNG) and the Alliance Save Energy (ASE) to bring the PowerSave Schools program to 31 schools that are within [NJNG's service area](#). Fifteen schools are returning for a second year in the program and **16 additional schools will be admitted** for the 2017-18 school year.

NJNG will fund all direct program costs for the 31 schools, while the ASE will lead implementation of the PowerSave program in schools, providing the tools and resources to ensure a successful program outcome.

Application deadline: Monday, July 31

Click [here](#) for application form and more information.

Welcome Newly Registered Schools & Districts!

Hudson County

Patricia M. Noonan No. 26
Elementary School (Jersey
City)

Morris County

Butler Public School District

Somerset County

Hillsborough High School
Warren Middle School

Sussex County

Sussex County Charter School For Technology

Union County

Academy For Allied Health Science (Union Co. Vo-Tech Schools)
Academy For Information Technology (Union Co. Vo-Tech
Schools)
Academy For Performing Arts (Union Co. Vo-Tech Schools)
Franklin Elementary School (Summit)
Jefferson Primary Center (Summit)
Lincoln - Hubbard Elementary School (Summit)
Union County Magnet High School (Union Co. Vo-Tech Schools)
Union County Vocational-Technical High School (Union Co. Vo-
Tech Schools)
Wilson Primary Center (Summit)

NJ Dept of Environmental Protection 2017 Contests Recycling Poetry Contest for Grades 4-6 Recycling Logo and Slogan Contest for Grades 9-11

On this 30th anniversary of New Jersey's Statewide Mandatory Source Separation and Recycling Act, young writers in grades 4 through 6 are challenged to submit original poems (100 words or less) and high school students in grades 9 through 11 are challenged to submit logo designs and slogans. The poem and logos & slogans should inspire and motivate citizens of all ages to recycle their waste at home, school, work and in the community.

Four winning poems per grade level, and one winning logo design and slogan will be used as part of NJDEP's future statewide recycling outreach efforts, which will include various print and online media.

The deadline for submissions is Friday, June 2.

Poetry contest: click [here](#) for more information.

Logo and slogan contest: click [here](#) for more information.

Bergen Community College Sustainability Institute Student Challenge & Hackathon

Students in the Northern NJ region are invited to participate in two events:

The Hackathon for students in grades 7-12 on June 7 at 5:30-9:30 pm will address a question related to recycled, reclaimed or repurposed materials.

The Student Challenge for grades 1-6 on June 12, 5:30-8:30 pm, consists of four competitions in addressing the topic of turning trash to treasure. Student submissions may include posters, models, art or science projects.

Awards will be given to first, second and third place winners in each category and include Suez Youth Summer Scholarships for kids summer programs.

Registration Deadline: June 3, 2017

Click [here](#) for registration forms and more information.

"Going Beyond the Resolution" NJSBA Sustainability Webinar Series for Board Leaders

The [New Jersey School Boards Association](#) has designed a free webinar series for school board members who seek a deeper understanding of sustainability, beyond the resolution signed to participate in the Sustainable Jersey for Schools certification program. Green team members are encouraged to participate in these webinars, as the success of implementing sustainable practices improves with a better understanding by everyone involved in supporting sustainability.

NEXT WEBINAR IN THE SERIES:

June 14 10-11am Arts Ed Now Toolkit: Supporting Compliance with State Requirements. [Click here to register.](#)

TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES WITH SUSTAINABLE JERSEY FOR SCHOOLS PARTNERS

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT @ Duke Farms, Hillsborough

Various Environmental & Project Based Learning Sessions from June 9th- August 4th
"Voices from The Land: Integrating Language & Landscape, Art & Culture" June 9-10th
"Climate Science & Sustainable Actions Academy" June 26-29th
"Environmental Problem-Based Learning: Water Pollution" July 17-18th
"Environmental Problem-Based Learning: Water Pollution" July 27-28th
"Learning & Teaching with Monarch Butterflies" August 3-4th
Click [here](#) for registration and more information.

USING PROBLEM BASED LEARNING & SUSTAINABILITY TO ADDRESS LOCAL & GLOBAL ISSUES (Stipends available)

JUNE 26-27, 2017 9:00 AM-2:30 PM, Fairleigh Dickinson University, Teaneck, NJ

Training and support to primary, middle, and secondary educators, and administrators on problem-based learning using sustainability themes. The two-day workshop is designed to show how critical content in the field of sustainability will focus on enhancing the teaching and learning of critical skills needed to solve problems. Using sustainable topics that deal with local and global issues, this workshop will show teachers how to develop units of study that involve students in solving authentic and local problems that are interesting and relevant. [Click here to register.](#)

PROJECT ADVENTURE TRAINING Sponsored by NJAHPERD & CDC REGISTER BY JUNE 20TH (Scholarships are limited)

JULY 10 OR JULY 28, 2017, Pottersville, NJ

NJAHPERD has secured funding from the Department of Health through a CDC grant to provide professional development for Health and Physical Education teachers to improve nutrition, physical activity and physical education programs in schools. Funding is available to attend a

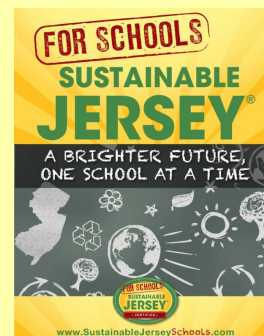
Project Adventure Training in Pottersville, NJ in July. You must attend both days of the training and provide a written statement on how you will implement the training in your program. [Click here to register.](#)

NORTH AMERICAN ASSOCIATION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION (NAAEE)
Autumn Conference: ["From Inspiration to Impact in the Outdoors"](#) Sept. 29, 2017
[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](#).

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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