

SUSTAINABLE JERSEY FOR SCHOOLS

268 Districts

663 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 <u>here</u> or contact us at schools@sustainablejersey.com. For those looking ahead to 2018, please check out our informative webinar series <u>"Preparing for Certification"</u>

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.

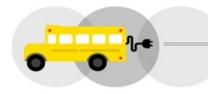
The New Jersey Department of Health (NJ DOH), through its Maternal and Child Health Services Title V Block Grant, is providing \$120,000 for a <u>Sustainable Jersey Small Grants</u> Program cycle. The cycle will fund thirty \$4,000 awards to complete specific Sustainable Jersey for Schools



health and wellness actions. View the recorded webinar (see link below) 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 **Thursday**, **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.



Save the date! New Jersey Electric School Bus Workshop

A free event co-sponsored by Sustainable Jersey, the New Jersey Clean Cities Coalition, and the Vermont Energy Investment Corporation. At this workshop experts will present on the basics of electric school buses, funding and procurement, & best practices for deployment.

When: Tuesday, July 18th, 2017, 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

Where: FEA Conference Center, 12 Centre Drive, Monroe Township, NJ 08831

In order to reserve your spot early please register here.

Welcome Newly Registered Schools & Districts!

Cape May County
Wildwood City School District

Morris County
Butler High School

Gloucester County
Gloucester County Vocational-Technical School
District

Somerset County
Hillsborough Middle School

Hunterdon County
Old Turnpike Middle School (Tewksbury)

Sussex County
Hopatcong Borough School District



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 to Save Energy (ASE) to bring the PowerSave Schools program to 32 schools that are within NJNG's service area. Seventeen schools are returning for a second year in the program and

15 additional schools will be admitted for the 2017-18 school year.

NJNG will fund all direct program costs for the 32 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 <u>here</u> for application form and more information.



New Jersey School Boards Association Announces 3-day Workshop

NJSBA is collaborating with The Cloud Institute for Sustainability Education for an exciting three-day interactive institute on July 31st, August 1st and August 2nd 2017. The institute is based on the statewide sustainability leadership actions of NJSBA combined with the successful NJ Learns program that unites schools and communities to learn and change together to instigate, sustain, and scale up the innovations and best practices that contribute to a sustainable school. Participants will learn how Education for Sustainability is a transformative process that strategically connects the facility, curriculum and district level leadership actions. The results, are healthier learning environments at lower operational costs "setting the stage" for staff and students to succeed in many academic, extracurricular and community experiences.

When: July 31- Aug 2, 2017, 9:00 am - 4:30 pm

Where: New Jersey School Boards Association, 413 West State St, Trenton, NJ

In order to reserve your spot early please register here.



Carton Council School Carton Recycling Grant Program

Recycling Bins, Lesson Plans & Opportunities for up to \$5,000 in grants available for interested schools!
(Rolling Deadline)

School recycling programs not only encourage children to learn about the importance of recycling, but they also enable communities to recover large quantities of valuable materials, like beverage cartons. If your local recycling facility accepts food and beverage cartons, we encourage you to consider adding them to your existing school recycling program. If your school does not currently have a recycling program, you can still start a carton recycling one. The Carton Council has resources to help start a program or promote an existing one to ensure everyone is participating. Please visit http://www.cartonopportunities.org/schools to find more information on how to get started recycling cartons in your school.

The Carton Council School Carton Recycling Grant Program is designed specifically to help schools across the country establish school carton recycling programs, with the objective of increasing awareness of school carton recycling and ultimately the amount of cartons recovered in a community. Through this program, the Carton Council is able to offer grants up to \$5,000 to school recycling programs that meet the criteria. Milk carton shaped recycling bins are also available free through the grant program. If you are interested in either program, please contact Barbara Heineken, Carton Council East Coast Recycling Coordinator, at bheineken@recycle.com or 813-802-8036.



Applications Now Open for the 2017 Governor's Environmental Excellence Awards

The <u>Governor's Environmental Excellence Awards</u> are the State's premier environmental awards program for recognizing outstanding environmental performance, programs and projects in the state.

These awards honor and recognize individuals, businesses, educators, institutions, communities, youth and others who have made significant contributions to environmental protection in New Jersey. To date, 160

award winners have been recognized since the program was established in 2000.

The awards program is sponsored by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, the New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Trust and the New Jersey Corporation for Advanced Technology, in partnership with the New Jersey State League of Municipalities. Applications are due September 29th. Click here for more information.

TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES WITH SUSTAINABLE JERSEY FOR SCHOOLS PARTNERS

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT @ Duke Farms, Hillsborough

- "Environmental Problem-Based Learning: Water Pollution" July 17-18th
- "Environmental Problem-Based Learning: Water Pollution" July 27-28th
- "Learning & Teaching with Monarch Butterfiles" August 3-4th

Click **here** for registration and more information.

TOOLBOX TUESDAY (3 LOCATIONS OFFERED- Washington Twp, Manchester Twp, & Sparta) JULY 11, 18 or 25th 7:00AM- 1:00PM

A free event for NJ School Buildings & Grounds Association Members and their support staff. <u>Training classes available.</u>

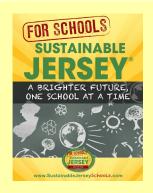
NORTH AMERICAN ASSOCIATION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION (NAAEE)

Autumn Conference: <u>"From Inspiration to Impact in the Outdoors"</u> 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
- <u>District Registration Instructions</u>
- School Registration Instruction



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