

# **Welcome Newly-Registered Schools!**

# Atlantic County Hammonton School District Northfield City School District Northfield Community Elementary School

### **Bergen County**

Pascack Valley Regional High School District River Dell Regional School District River Dell Regional High School

# Burlington County Springfield Township School District

### Hunterdon County

Clinton Township School District
Patrick McGaheran Elementary School
Round Valley Middle School
Franklin Township School District
Franklin Township Elementary School
Union City School District
Jefferson Elementary School

### Middlesex County

Woodbridge Township School District Lafayette Estates Elementary School Matthew Jago School

### **Monmouth County**

Belmar Elementary School District
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Manalapan-Englishtown Regional School District
Taylor Mills Elementary School
Wemrock Brook Elementary School
Monmouth Beach Elementary School District
Monmouth Beach Elementary School
Red Bank Charter School District

# Red Bank Charter School Morris County

Mendham Township School District Mendham Township Middle School

Union County
Winfield Township School District

# Sustainable Jersey for Schools Upcoming Certification Webinars

# Getting Started on Energy Actions: How Energy Savings Improvement Plans Fund Energy Upgrades

For schools looking to take a comprehensive approach to energy upgrades, <u>Energy Savings Improvement Plans</u> (ESIPs) can be an important financing tool. This webinar will share highlights from Sustainable Jersey's newly updated <u>ESIP How-To Guide</u> and case studies of municipalities and school districts who have benefitted from the ESIP Program. The webinar will include the case study of Cape May's joint entity ESIP, shared between their township and school district. Join us to learn more about how this approach can help smaller municipalities and school districts complete an ESIP and earn points for the Energy Efficiency for School Facilities action.

Wednesday, November 13, 2019, 1:00PM - 2:00PM REGISTER

# **Planning for Re-Certification**

Sustainable Jersey for Schools certification is good for three years at a time. If you are one of over 30 schools with a certification expiring in August 2019, you will want to attend this informative webinar on the re-certification process. Participants will learn how to determine which actions need to be updated for re-certification and how to make a game plan for maintaining Sustainable Jersey for Schools certification for 2019 and beyond!

Wednesday, November 20, 3:00pm - 4:00pm REGISTER

# WEBINARS

# **Building Bridges to Curriculum**

Wondering how to increase student involvement in your sustainability actions? Join Allison Mulch from Eco-Schools, and John Henry from NJSBA's Sustainability & iSTEAM Services team to learn how you can connect more of your <u>Sustainable Jersey for Schools actions</u> to student learning.

Wednesday, December 11, 3:00pm - 4:00pm REGISTER

# **Sustainable Practices Working Session**

New Jersey School Boards Association, in collaboration with Sustainable Jersey for Schools, is offering members and school district personnel opportunities to attend a one-day Sustainable Practices Working Session as part of its commitment to helping schools across New Jersey reach their sustainability goals. In addition to the September session, there are still two additional sessions in November and February, which will offer the same content as the previous session. Pre-registration is required and seats are limited. For more information click here.

Participants will review a Sustainability Wellness Check, which will be in alignment with the <u>Sustainable Jersey for Schools</u> certification program. Board members will receive and four <u>board member academy credits</u> and four <u>Green Leader credits</u> for participating in a working session.



**Thursday, November 21, 10:00am - 3:00pm**Rutherford Hall
1686 County Road 517, Hackettstown, NJ 07840
REGISTER

Thursday, February 20, 9:00am - 3:30pm ACUA 6700 Delilah Road, Egg Harbor Township, NJ 08234 <u>REGISTER</u>

# Silver-Level Certification Now Accepted for Green Ribbon School Submissions



The U.S. Department of Education Green Ribbon Schools (ED-GRS) program recognizes schools that are taking a comprehensive approach to greening their school, incorporating environmental learning with improving environmental and health impacts. Becoming an ED-GRS after earning Sustainable Jersey for Schools Silver Certification is a more <a href="streamlined submission process">streamlined submission process</a>, making it easier than ever for schools to be recognized for their incredible sustainable actions. To learn more about the Green Ribbon Schools program, click here.

The Nature Conservancy (TNC) is partnering with Sustainable Jersey and the Watershed Institute to offer another round of Roots for Rivers Reforestation Grant and Technical Assistance Program. The program will support municipal, school district, and local non-profit and conservation organization efforts to undertake their own floodplain reforestation initiatives.

Program participants will receive technical assistance to design restoration projects and funding to cover the material costs of eligible expenses that only include native tree/shrubs, tree protection tubes, stakes and up to two delivery fees. All other expenses will be the financial responsibility of the applicant. Projects costing between \$1,000 and \$20,000 are eligible. Click here for more information. We encourage applicants to review the Information Application Packet here and sign up to participate in the informational webinar before submitting the application.

### Informational Webinar

An informational webinar was held on October 16 to learn more about the application process, online submission procedures, eligible projects, and tips for a successful grant application. The recording and presentation can be found <a href="here">here</a>, as well as on the <a href="municipal">municipal</a> and <a href="municipal">school's</a> program websites.



In 2018, Schalick High School in Pittsgrove School District partnered with South Jersey Land & Water Trust and the American Littoral Society to expand the forested buffer of a nearby tributary with a Roots for Rivers grant

To learn more about this opportunity and to access the online grant applications, click <u>here</u>. 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, December 13, 2019.

# **New Energy Savings Improvement Plan How-To Guide**

This guidebook explains the Energy Savings Improvement Plan (ESIP) process from beginning to end in a straightforward and easily understandable language. Sustainable Jersey for Schools' <a href="Energy Efficiency for School Facilities">Energy Efficiency for School Facilities</a> action awards points for energy efficiency upgrades, including ESIP projects. To view the how-to guide, click <a href="here">here</a>.

# **Other Upcoming Funding Opportunities**

# Environmental Protection Agency's P3 Awards: A National Student Design Competition Focusing on People, Prosperity and the Planet

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) - as part of its People, Prosperity and the Planet (P3) Award Program - is now seeking applications proposing to research, develop, design, and demonstrate solutions to real world challenges. The P3 program is a unique competition open to teams of college/university students working to design solutions toward the mutual goals of improved quality of life, economic prosperity and protection of the planet - people, prosperity, and the planet. This year's topics include sustainability- reducing solid (or food waste) as a P3 research area. For more information, click here.

Application Deadline: November 19, 2019

# New Jersey School Boards Association and United States Army's STEAM Tank Challenge

The STEAM Tank Challenge, sponsored by the New Jersey School Boards Association along with the United States Army, encourages students in the areas of STEAM - science, technology, engineering, the arts, and math to invent something new, modify an existing product, or identify a situation or problem that needs a resolution. The program provides personal support and guidance through training and consultation, to help inspire students to become the next generation of entrepreneurs, inventors, scientists, artists, and engineers. This competition can aid with the <a href="Integrated Science">Integrated Science</a>, <a href="Integrated Science">Technology</a>, Engineering, Arts & Math (iSTEAM) Sustainable Jersey for Schools action. For more information, click <a href="here">here</a>.

Application Deadline: December 6, 2019

The Environmental Protection Agency is now accepting applications for the 2020 Presidential Environmental Youth Awards (PEYA) and Presidential Innovation Awards for Environmental Educators (PIAEE). Established in 1990 by the National Environmental Education Act (NEEA), these awards recognize outstanding students and teachers that are dedicated to furthering environmental education in their classrooms and communities. For more information, click here.

Application Deadline: Wednesday, January 15, 2020

# Other Upcoming Events and Training

# Indoor Air Quality Training

The Pediatric/Adult Asthma Coalition of New Jersey has arranged to provide assistance to public employers in meeting the Designated Persons Training requirements contained in the Public Employees Occupational Safety and Health (PEOSH) Indoor Air Quality Standard (IAQ) by arranging training sessions throughout New Jersey. There will be one training each month until June. This program will address any questions/changes about the IAQ Standard as well as the roles of the school nurse in these standards. This training supports the Asthma Friendly Schools and Indoor Air Quality Review Sustainable Jersey for Schools actions. Click here for more information and registration.

Friday December 13, 2019

Friday, March 6, 2020

Friday, May 22, 2020

Waretown, NJ

Westampton, NJ

Washington, NJ

Friday, January 24, 2020 Sicklerville, NJ

Friday April 3, 2020 Bridgewater, NJ

Friday, June 5, 2020 Neptune NJ

Friday, February 21, 2020

Mahwah, NJ

Newark, NJ

Friday April 24, 2020

# **Integrated Pest Management Training**

Integrated Pest Management (IPM) training sessions are offered for school IPM Coordinators and other school personnel with administrative responsibilities in accordance with the new IPM laws. IPM Coordinators receive certification of attendance to fulfill the mandatory training requirement as stated in the NJDEP Pesticide Control Program regulations. These sessions help IPM Coordinators implement the new IPM law with regards to such things as: non-pesticide pest management, parental notification, the 72 hour notification rule, low-impact pest management; record keeping, and dealing with pest emergencies. Participants will receive 4 Continuing Education Units (CEUs). This training support the Integrated Pest Management action toward Sustainable Jersey for Schools certification. Click here for more information and registration.

Friday, December 6, 2019

Friday, April 17, 2020

Waretown, NJ

Bridgewater, NJ

Friday, January 10, 2020

Friday May 8, 2020

Sicklerville, NJ

Paterson, NJ

Friday, May 15, 2020

Friday, February 7, 2020 Mahwah, NJ

Newark, NJ

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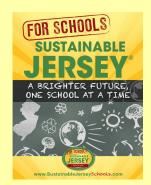
# Mark Your Calendars!

See below for important dates of Sustainable Jersey for Schools events, trainings, funding opportunities and more!

- Nov. 13: Energy Savings Improvement Plan Webinar
- Nov. 20: Planning for Re-Certification Webinar
- Nov. 21: Sustainable Practices Working Session
- Dec. 13: Roots for Rivers Application Deadline
- Feb. 20: Sustainable Practices Working Session

# **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 <a href="mailto:schools@sustainablejersey.com">schools@sustainablejersey.com</a> or visit <a href="mailto:www.SustainableJerseySchools.com">www.SustainableJerseySchools.com</a>

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