

# SUSTAINABLE JERSEY FOR SCHOOLS

323 Districts    843 Schools    Participating

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## 47 Grants Awarded for School Sustainability Projects

On February 4, 2019, \$180,000 was awarded through the Sustainable Jersey for Schools Grants Program funded by the New Jersey Education Association (NJEA). These grants will support a variety of projects including vertical aeroponic tower gardens, student green team capacity building, outdoor classrooms, innovative recycling efforts and many others. For more information, read the [press release](#).

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## 2018 Gardinier Environmental Fund Grant Recipients Announced

On January 30, 2019, \$160,000 was awarded to two school districts and 10 municipalities through the Sustainable Jersey Grants program funded by the Gardinier Environmental Fund. These grants will support projects including electric vehicle (EV) infrastructure and education; a solar energy feasibility study and community solar education; and innovative energy efficiency projects in school facilities and municipal buildings. See the [press release](#) for information about the funded projects.

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**Support Your Sustainability Initiatives with a Grant!**

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

- Four (4) \$10,000 grants to school districts and schools
- Thirty (30) \$2,000 grants to schools

**Application deadline: March 15**

Go [HERE](#) for more information and links to application pages.



**GET CERTIFIED**

### UPCOMING DEADLINES for 2019 CERTIFICATION CYCLE:

- March 29 - Second 2019 Online Application Submission Deadline
- June 24 - FINAL 2019 Online Application Submission Deadline

Not sure how to where to begin? Check out our [application user guide](#), view a recorded [certification webinar](#) and plan for success using our [Master Action Tracking spreadsheet](#).

## Sustainable Practices Working Sessions for Green Teams

**Two Dates In February!**



The New Jersey School Boards Association, in collaboration with Sustainable Jersey for Schools, is offering free one-day Sustainable Practices Working Sessions for members and school district personnel. Participants will review a Sustainability Wellness Check, which will be in alignment with the Sustainable Jersey for Schools certification program. Gather your green team and strategize for certification and cost savings in 2019!

Each session begins with a continental breakfast at 8:30 am; registration is at 9 am.

[February 21-](#) Atlantic County Utilities Authority, Egg Harbor

[February 28-](#) NJSBA Headquarters, Trenton

Professional Development: Earn 4 [Board Member Academy](#) credits and 4 [Certified Green Leader](#) credits for attending this program. This program is sponsored by the Educational Leadership Foundation of New Jersey. Download & share the [informational flyer](#) with your green team!

# Welcome Newly Registered Districts & Schools

## Bergen County

Anna C. Scott Elementary School (Leonia)  
Leonia High School  
Leonia Middle School

## Burlington County

Chatsworth Elementary School

## Camden County

H. B. Wilson Elementary School (Camden)

## Essex County

Wilson Avenue Elementary School (Newark)

## Morris County

Birchwood Elementary School ((Dover)  
Catherine A. Dwyer Elementary School  
(Wharton)  
Copeland Middle School (Rockaway)  
Dennis B. O'Brien Elementary School (Dover)  
Katherine D. Malone Elementary  
School (Rockaway)  
Montville High School  
Stony Brook Elementary School (Rockaway)

## Monmouth County

Farmingdale Public School District  
Farmingdale Elementary School

## Warren County

Lopatcong Elementary School (Phillipsburg)



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## NOW Youth Leadership Award

Nominations open through March 15, 2019

Do you know a young person (ages 10-21) who has stepped up as a leader on issues ranging from climate change to safe drinking water to toxic ingredients in personal care products? Nominate them for the NOW Youth Leadership Award. Click [HERE](#) for more information and the nomination form.

## UPCOMING TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

### Teaching Scholar Program: Biodiversity Field Methods

June 24-28, Stokes State Forest

Application Deadline: April 1, 2019

Click [HERE](#) for details and application.

**COST: FREE** Scholarships will be funded by National Geographic and Montclair State University. Scholarships include all meals, on-site lodging and educational resources.

This five-day summer professional development workshop for **middle school science teachers** will focus on an extended hands-on experience in assessing ecosystem biodiversity. Teachers will work alongside academic researchers and professional scientists to identify flora and fauna in the forest, stream and lake ecosystems in and around the NJ School of Conservation (NJSOC) within Stokes State Forest.

### NJAHPERD 100TH ANNUAL CONVENTION

February 24-27 Long Branch, NJ

*This training supports the [Programs to Promote Physical Activities & Education for Sustainability: Health](#) actions in the Sustainable Jersey for Schools program.*

The NJ Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation & Dance is holding its 100th Annual Convention. More information & opportunities to submit a proposal [here](#).

### GREEN TEACHER WEBINAR SERIES

Registration information [here](#).

### INDOOR AIR QUALITY (IAQ) TRAINING by PEOSH/NJADP

Various dates & locations 8am-12:30pm. FREE. Register [here](#).

*This free training supports the [Indoor Air Quality Review](#) and [Asthma Friendly School](#) actions in the Sustainable Jersey for Schools program, which require staff training.*

Mar 1 - Metuchen, NJ

Apr 26 - Bridgewater, NJ

May 1 - Sicklerville, NJ

June 7 - Robbinsville, NJ

### FREE INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT (IPM) TRAINING SERIES

Various dates & locations 8am-12:30pm. FREE. Register [here](#).

*Training sessions are offered for school IPM Coordinators and other school personnel with administrative responsibilities. Knowledge received from this training can be applied to the [Integrated Pest Management - Education & Organic Lawn Care Action](#) in the Sustainable Jersey for Schools program.*

Feb 15 - Mahwah, NJ

Mar 22 - Sicklerville, NJ

Apr 12 - Bridgewater, NJ

May 3 - Metuchen, NJ

May 31 - Washington, NJ

### 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.

### EPA SUSTAINABLE MATERIALS MANAGEMENT WEB ACADEMY

On Demand Food Waste & Recycling Webinars available [here](#).

### NORTH AMERICAN ASSOCIATION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION (NAAEE)

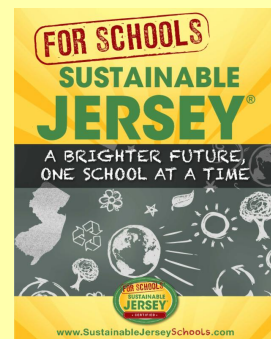
[Free Monthly Webinar Series, live & recorded \(ongoing\)](#)

Topics include: Systems Thinking, Diversity & Inclusion in Environmental Education, Telling Your Story with Web Mapping Technology, and more!

Upcoming Live Webinars in the series

## 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](mailto:schools@sustainablejersey.com) or visit [www.SustainableJerseySchools.com](http://www.SustainableJerseySchools.com).

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