



Leading and Learning with Digital Schools Star Recognition

January 27, 2022





Sustainable Jersey Digital Schools



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Sustainable Jersey for Schools



A not-for-profit program that provides tools, training, and grants to New Jersey public schools to help them implement sustainability initiatives and achieve certification.



- Launched in 2014
- Modeled after successful municipal program
- Free and voluntary
- New Jersey based and consensus driven
- Awards certification to individual schools but requires School Board and district level support

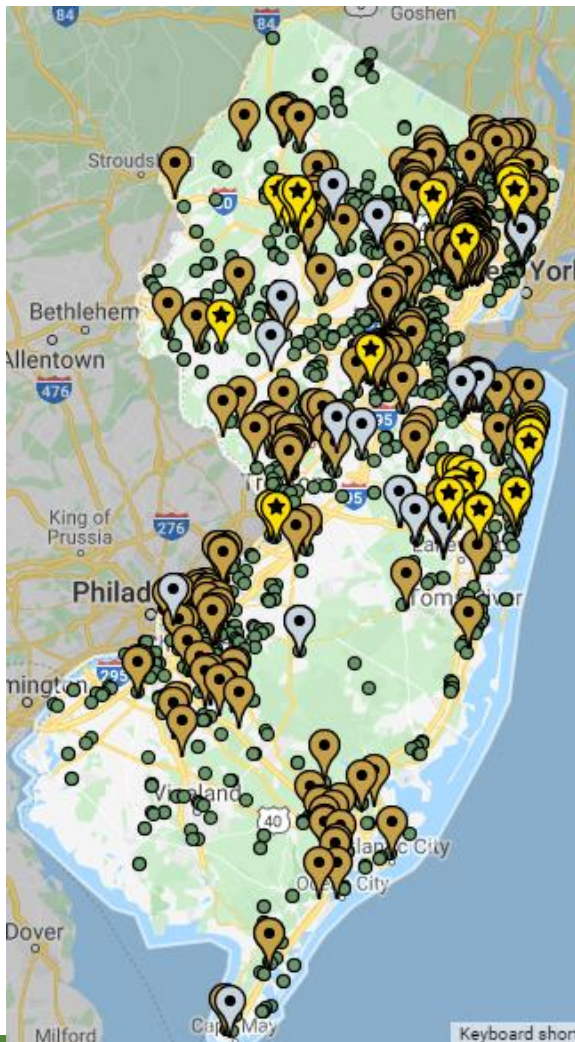




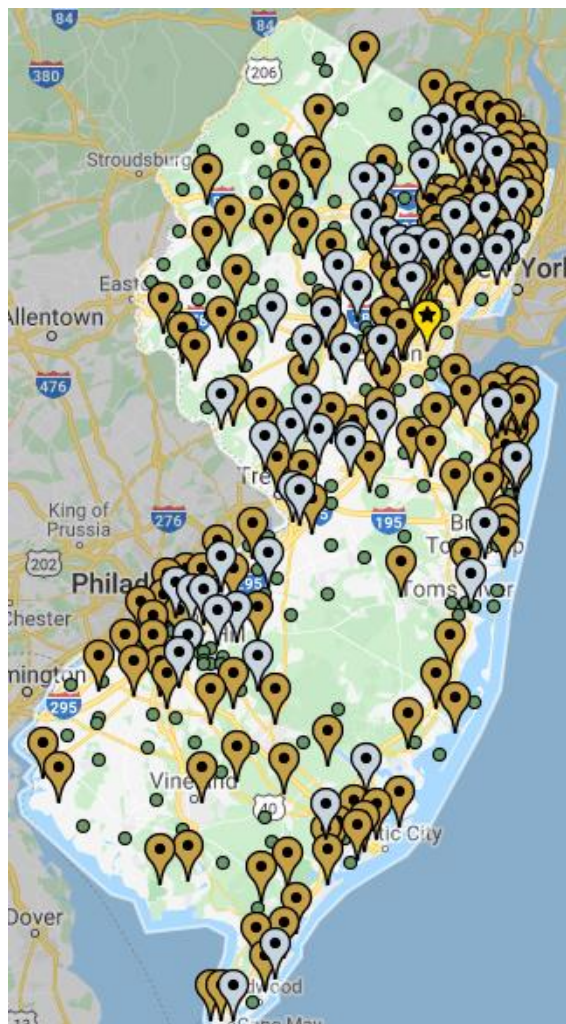
Program Participants



School Program Participants



Municipal Program Participants



School Program

374 Districts Registered

- 64% of NJ Districts

1025 Schools Registered

- 40% of NJ Schools

335 Schools Certified

- 292 Bronze,
- 43 Silver

37 Digital Schools Stars

Municipal Program

460 Registered

- 81% of NJ municipalities

219 Certified

- 155 Bronze
- 64 Silver
- 1 Gold Star



Sustainable Jersey Digital Schools



- Partnership of NJSBA / NJDOE / Sustainable Jersey
- Supported by the [New Jersey LEE Group](#)
- Continuing work of Future Ready Schools - NJ
- Officially launched December 15, 2020



**DIGITAL SCHOOLS
PROGRAM**

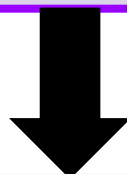


Sustainable Jersey Digital Schools



Future Ready Schools – New Jersey

- Was a powerful force for equity and progress in New Jersey
- Designed based on the Sustainable Jersey model
- Certified 259 schools from 76 districts as Future Ready
- Ceased operations in 2019



Transition to Sustainable Jersey Digital Schools

- 48 FRS-NJ Indicators integrated into
 - 12 new SJS Actions
 - 17 Existing SJS Actions
- FRS-NJ certification counts towards Sustainable Jersey for Schools certification



2021 Digital Schools Star Results



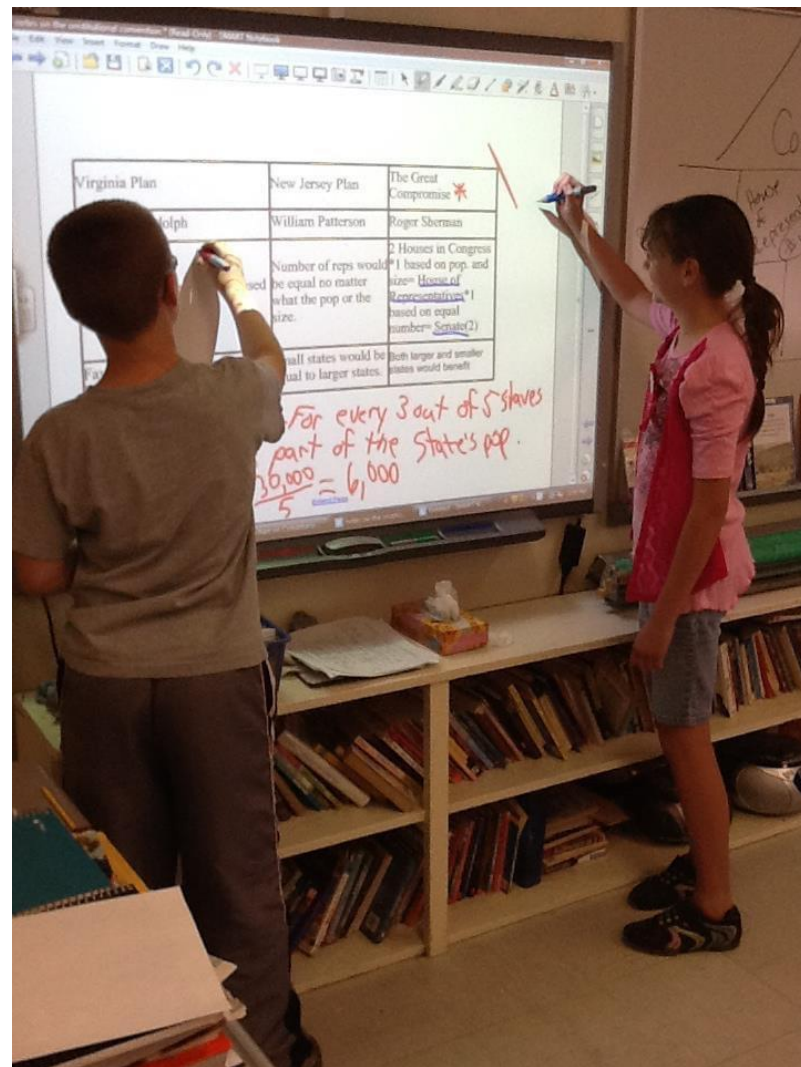
37 Schools in 9 Districts earned DS Star (95% Success Rate)

14 DS Star schools in 4 Districts also certified for the first time

School Districts with DS Star Schools	County
Essex County Schools of Technology	Essex
Florence Township School District (<i>All Star Schools!</i>)	Burlington
Franklin Township Public Schools	Somerset
Franklin Township School District	Hunterdon
Hackensack School District	Bergen
Howell Township Public School District (<i>All Star schools and all Silver Certified!</i>)	Monmouth
Long Branch Public School District	Monmouth
Mount Olive Township School District (<i>All Star Schools!</i>)	Morris
Spring Lake Heights School District	Monmouth
<i>District with first-time certified schools</i>	

What is a Digital School?

A Digital School embraces the mindful implementation of effective digital learning and communication tools, resources, and practices and it is evident in its mission, culture, classrooms, and interactions with its stakeholders





Digital Schools Star Recognition



Program Goals

- Provide guidance and resources to improve learning
- Help prepare students for college and careers in an evolving digital world
- Advocate for mindful and sustainable implementation of digital tools, resources, and practices
- Foster a culture in which authentic and personalized digital learning thrive



Digital Schools Star Recognition Benefits



Access and apply a growing **library of digital resources**



Assess and plan to improve important areas of digital learning like equity, capacity, and personalizing learning for every student



Use meaningful data and procedures to make decisions, particularly cost effective and sustainable ones relating to technology



Join peers following the same process and **contribute to the larger community of digital learners**



Apply for **grants to fund innovation** and sustainability

- Includes capacity building or project grants related to fulfilling Sustainable Jersey for Schools actions



Be recognized by your peers as Digital Learning Leaders



Sustainable Jersey for Schools Benefits



- Improve health
- Integrate sustainability and climate change education resources into student learning
- Boost recycling efforts
- Energy/Cost Savings
- Cut greenhouse gas emissions
- Progress toward an equitable society
- Access to the Sustainable Jersey Grants Program
 - Registration only required
 - \$6 million awarded to date.





Sustainable Jersey Digital Schools



Star Recognition Requirements ([Fact Sheet](#))

REGISTER DISTRICT: Pass a resolution to participate in Sustainable Jersey for Schools

REGISTER SCHOOLS: Superintendent & Principal sign Letter of Participation

FORM GREEN TEAM



Successfully complete a minimum of 7 of the new 12 [Digital Schools actions](#).
Also 5 of 8 Foundational Actions



Successfully complete three of the Student Learning actions with documentation submitted for lessons delivered in a remote digital or hybrid learning environment.



Successfully complete one of the School Culture and Climate actions. The submission must include steps taken to address the challenges associated with a remote digital or hybrid learning environment



Successfully complete [SJS certification](#)

- All points earned completing Digital Schools actions count towards certification

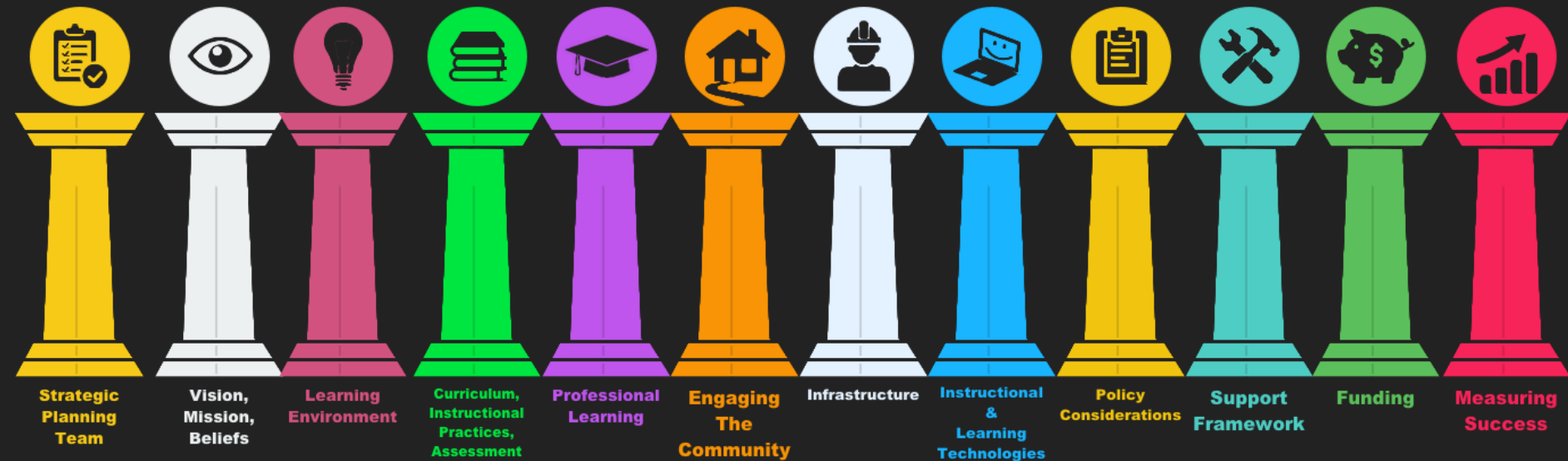
12 SCHOOLS : 1 COMMUNITY



- Pre-K-8 District
- 5,500 Students
- Grade Bands: Pre-K-2 3-5 6-8
- All Schools Silver Certified
Sustainable Jersey for Schools
- All Schools Digital Schools Star Award

A VISION OF SCHOOLS REIMAGINED

DISTRICT COMMITMENT TO DIGITAL LEARNING & SUSTAINABLE PRACTICES

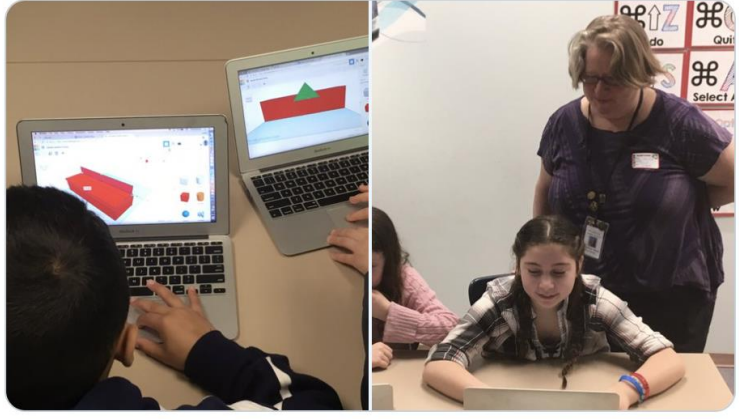


Board Commitment to Digital Learning & Sustainable Environments



Ramtown
@HowellTwpRamtwn

Architects in training...BOE member, Mrs. Malley, joins Mr. Rao for Digital Learning Day
#FutureReadyNJ #HTPSLearnerSuccess #HowellLeads



District Commitment to Digital Learning: Roles Reimagined



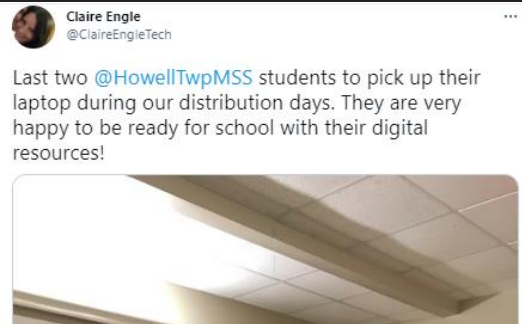
Joseph Isola
@JosephIsola

And the launch begins.
The first 1:1 MacBook is issued. Tomorrow starts now!



- Reimagined the Role of IT Director
- Restructured roles and responsibilities
- Focus on District Goals, Digital Learning and Operational Efficiencies

Equitable Access to Digital Tools & Resources



Claire Engle @ClaireEngleTech · Mar 16, 2020

Way to go @optimum @AlticeUSA for promoting and creating equitable access opportunities to high-quality Wi-Fi connectivity for ALL of our @HowellTwpK8 students and staff during our Remote Learning Days.

Howell Township K-8 @HowellTwpK8 · Mar 16, 2020

FREE INTERNET/WIFI: Tomorrow begins Remote Learning days. Free Internet/Wifi can be accessed by selecting the "OptimumWifi" network. Please contact your child's school should you need assistance connecting. Be well. #HTPSCCommunityEngagement #HTPSLearnerSuccess

Enabling Free Optimum Wi-Fi/Internet on your District-Issued Laptop

1. Click on the Wi-Fi icon () located in the upper right-hand corner of your screen
2. A drop down list will appear of available Wi-Fi networks in your neighborhood. You may need to wait a few seconds for the Optimum network to load, but once it does, select optimumwifi from the list and it will automatically connect to their network.



Resources for Our Students



10:26 PM Sun Oct 3 howell.schoology.com

Course Options

- Materials
- Updates
- Gradebook
- Grade Setup
- Mastery
- Badges
- Attendance
- Members
- Analytics
- Workload Planning
- LockDown Browser
- Newsela
- PowerSchool
- StudyMate

Access Code

J26A-CMAJ-QWBFG	Reset
88HV-XMTT-G7ZRB	Reset
JKP2-W5F9-81SM8	Reset
GSRZ-4VCD-RBPZF	Reset
PZTB-ZM7N-SKBX3	Reset

This assignment will help you learn how to use split view on your iPad.

Split view will allow you to have two screens open at once on Safari. You can use it to take notes while reading or watching a video.

Slide Over works by having a small pop over screen over the full screen of your application.

Today we will create a pumpkin.

View the following video to use Slide over to display the requirements for your pumpkin and how to create it in Show Me. When you are finished, upload the SCREEN SHOT of your iPad to show that you used slide over.

Pumpkin Requirements

- Your pumpkin must have a stem
- You must have at least one pumpkin
- Your pumpkin needs to have eyes, a nose, and a mouth
- Please give your pumpkin a name.

How To Submit Your Assignment on Schoology.

Posted Today at 2:16 pm

[How To Split Screen](#)


Section McCreight

Submissions Received (0/2)

No users match the selected filter.


To return files to students, please attach them to comments by clicking on a student's name in the "Submissions" area above.

Equitable Access Extending Our Reach - Utilization of Learning Management Systems & Digital Tools



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Home Courses ▾ Group






SUMMER
READING


Group Options

Updates


- Discussions (4)
- Albums
- Members (427)
- Resources

Access Code  




S2SDN-X8473 


Information 

This group is designed for Howell students entering grades 3-5 in the fall of 2017. Join this group to discuss books over the summer months!




Howell Summer Reading
Howell Township School District


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 **Jane Losinger**
Hey guys! We are getting on August 28th (see details made during the event to by August 23rd).



☐ Yes, I plan to attend


☐ No, I will not be able



 Summer Reading Celebration flyer.gdoc 0 KB


 Summer Reading Celebration flyer.pdf 70 KB |  VIEW

Wed Aug 16, 2017 at 10:49 am  Comment ·  Like



Howell Township K-8 @HowellTwpK8 · May 23, 2020

#HTPSCommunityEngagement #HTPSLearnerSuccess #HTPSTalentTeams #HTPSWellness #HTSParentU #HTPSRemoteLearning


 **Joseph Isola** @JosephIsola · May 23, 2020

We are excited to announce the launch of our REMOTE Parent University.

Please follow the link below for course offerings and registration:

howell.k12.nj.us/apps/news/arti...

We hope that you can join us for what will prove to be a meaningful week-long event! #HTSParentU



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Parent University


to 6th grade Pre Algebra: Summer 2018


THE FOLLOWING IS A SUGGESTED TIMELINE TO COMPLETE EACH UNIT. UNITS SHOULD BE COMPLETED BY AUGUST 31, 2018


1	2	3	4	5	6
7/13	7/27	8/3	8/10	8/17	8/31

This is a suggested timeline, you may complete at your own pace by August 31.


Options  Student Progress

All Materials 

on To This Course 


INTRODUCTION 

complete

Understand Numerical and Algebraic Expressions 

NUMERICAL AND ALGEBRAIC EXPRESSIONS

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Solve Equations and Inequalities 

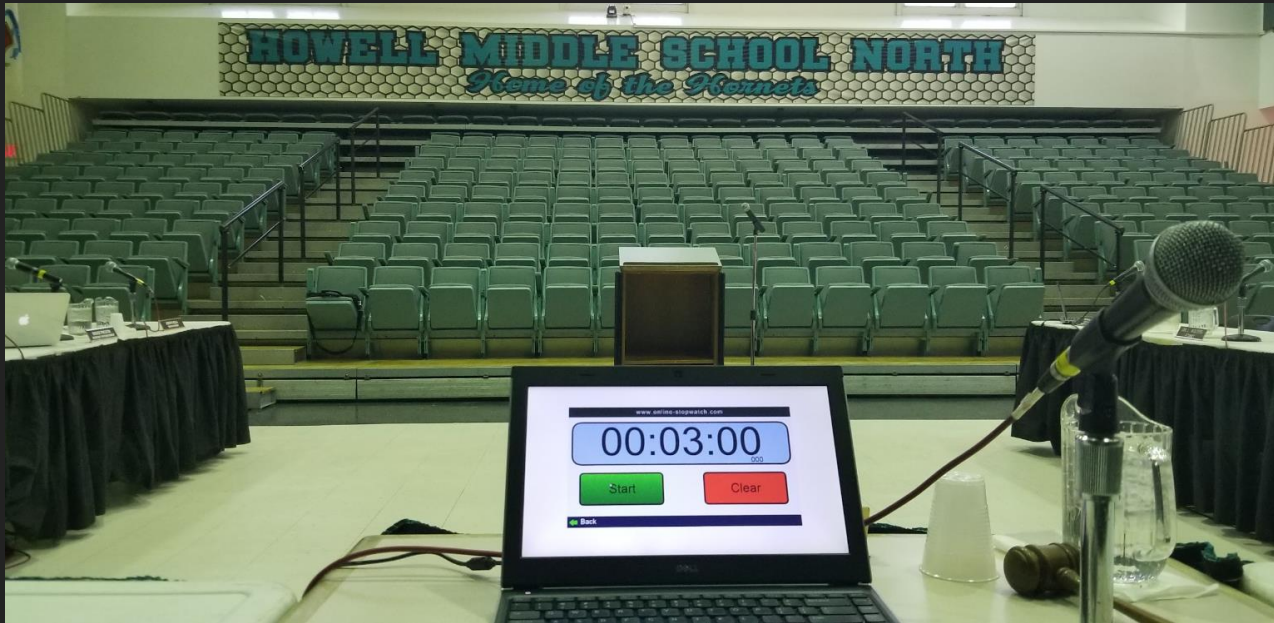
SOLVE EQUATIONS AND INEQUALITIES

complete

Daily learning plan

TITLE I ESY REMOTE LEARNING PLAN			
Student Daily Learning Activities for July 6, 2020			
8:30-8:40	Morning Meeting Click here at 8:30am to join our Morning Meeting Video Conference	Our strength for this week is belonging . Let's create a sense of belonging as learners at home. Designate an area for home learning. Find a quiet, comfortable place to work and store your materials nearby. Create a cozy nook for reading. Make the home a place of belonging and safety for the learning experience.	TIP: Print this page and highlight your meeting times OR get a blank sheet of paper and write down your meeting times so you never miss a meeting!
8:40-9:00	LITERACY Lesson Stay in video conference for lesson.	<i>Readers read long words part by part to see if a word looks right.</i> You will need: <i>One Love</i>	
9:00-10:00	Independent Work, Small Groups, and Conferences Click here when it is time for your conference or small group.	9:00-9:15am Literacy Small Group: Sam, Jamal, Ashlyn 9:20-9:30am Conference: Kevin 9:30-9:40am Conference: Melody 9:45-10:00am Math Small Group: Katharine, Peter, Genevieve Choice Board: - MUST DO: Read for 20 minutes (book or LitPro) - MAY DO: Watch strength video OR Reading power/writing power OR Virtual field trip	
10:00-10:20	MATH Lesson Meet in video conference at 10am OR link here to pre-recorded video lesson.	<i>Write math learning target here.</i> You will need: Counters, paper, pencil	

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT



Engaging and Reaching your Community Via Social Media



Land O'Pines
Ms. DeKovics'



Adelphia Elementary Retweeted



Molly Kahl-Winter @mskwinter · Feb 9

First Graders at [@HowellTwpAdelph](#) practice sequencing as they learn about the impact of Rosa Parks and the importance of standing up for what's right.

❤️ [@SocStudiesHTPS](#) #BlackHistoryMonth2021 #HTPSLearnerSuccess #betheripple



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DIGITAL TOOLS TO ENGAGE THE COMMUNITY

[Select Language](#) ▼

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28	29	30	31	1	2	3

[Today](#)
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WED

P/T Conferences - Early Dismissal for Students

Events
Adelphia School
Ardena School
Middle School North


Virutal Parent/Teacher Evening Conference Schedule

Adelphia School

Professional Learning Committee

1:30 PM (Virtual)
Events

Staff
Parents
Students
Our District
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Support Structures for Parents/Guardians



Support Structures for Parents/Guardians



Reimagining Community Engagement

SEASON 1, EPISODE 4

SPECIAL EDUCATION

In this episode of **OpenMic@Howell Township Public Schools**, we highlight the fine work that is happening within our Special Education Department. We are proud to share these segments with you and hope that they help you better understand the programs and services we offer to the students in Howell Township.



Visit: [OpenMic@Howell Township Public Schools](#)

Mobilizing Community Resources to Support Curriculum

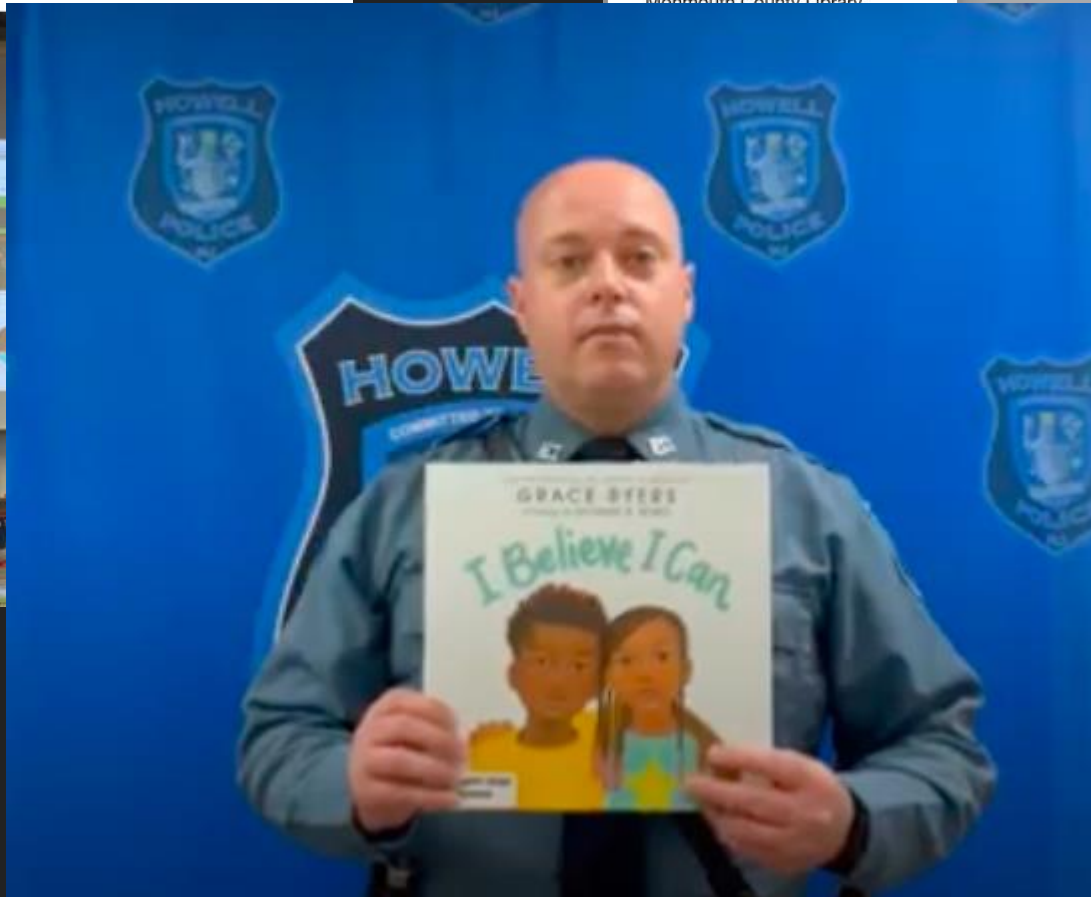


Bridget Ellerman

@EllermanBridget

Following

Thanks to Beth @MonCityLibrary for meeting with South 8th gr SS teachers today to share info on the many electronic resources available to us.



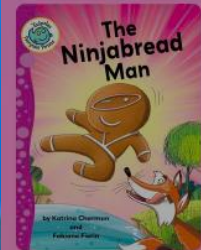
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Partnerships with the Sustainable Community



Howell Township K-8
@HowellTwpK8

Congratulations to the @HowellTwpTauntn Green Team for receiving a @SJ_Schools & @NJEA \$10,000 Grant!
#HTPSSustainable #HTPSTalentTeams
#HTPSLearnerSuccess #HTPSWellness
#HTPSCommunityEngagement #HowellLeads

Check out the submission video:
drive.google.com/file/d/1Bbhn-_/view



Grants Awarded \$78,000



MaryRose Malley
@MalleyMaryrose

Attended @HowellMemorial for ribbon cutting on Bulldog Retreat, their Model Outdoor Classroom. An amazing space. #SustainableNJ #htpslearnersuccess #HTPSCommunityEngagement



Land O'Pines School
@HowellTwpLOP

Thank you to our Green Team! We won a \$2000 grant from Sustainable Jersey for Schools and NJEA for a water filling station!!! #HTPSSustainable #WakeUpAndBeAwesome



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Informational Slides



Digital Schools Actions

Digital Learning Leadership – New Category

- [Community Engagement](#)
- [District Commitment to Digital Learning](#)
- [District Professional Development Plan](#)
- [Equitable Access to Digital Learning](#)

Digital Learning Practices – New Category

- [Authentic Application of Digital Learning Tools and Content](#)
- [Digital Citizenship](#)
- [Personalized Learning and Growing Independent Learners](#)
- [Professional Growth and Collaboration](#)



Digital Schools Actions

Digital Technology Access – New Category

- [Data Safety and Security Privacy](#)
- [Digital Device Life Cycle Management](#)
- [Infrastructure](#)
- [Support for Digital Teaching and Learning](#)

School Culture & Climate – Existing Category

- [Inclusive Environments Where All Can Thrive](#)
- [School Culture & Climate Needs Assessment](#)
- [Social Emotional Learning Integrated Unit](#)



Digital Schools Actions



Student Learning – Existing Category

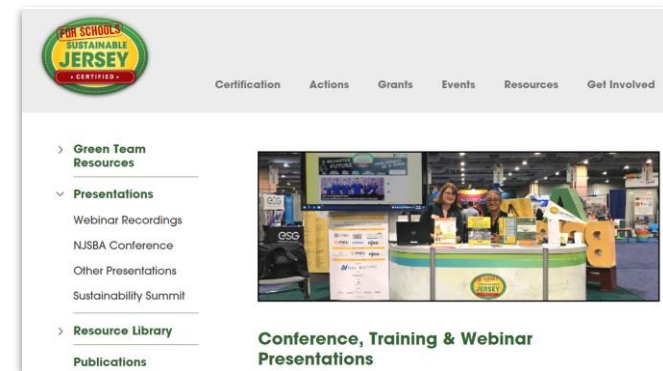
- [Fourteen Actions](#)
- Education for Sustainability
- PK – 12 grade levels
- Most subjects included
- Submission for Digital Schools must address lessons delivered in a remote digital or hybrid learning environment.



Website Tour



- Home Page – www.sustainablejerseyschools.com
- [Digital Schools Landing Page](#)
- [Fact Sheet](#)
- [Actions](#)
- [Star Recognition Page](#)
- [Webinar Recordings](#)
- [Digital Schools History](#)
 - [Transition Committee](#)
 - [SJDS – FRS-NJ Crosswalk](#)
- [Remote Digital Learning Roadmap](#)
- [Sign Up Page](#)





2022 Certification Cycle



- **January 13** – Initial Application Deadline
- Late February – Reviewer Comments
- **March 29** – Second Submission
- Early May – Reviewer Comments
- **June 15** – Final Application Submission
- Early August – Certified Schools Notified
- **October** – Certified Schools Celebration



Unity Charter School – 2020 Silver



Winslow Twp Middle School – 2020 Silver

<https://www.sustainablejerseyschools.com/certification/2022-certification-cycle/>



Digital Schools Star Recognition



- Recognized at October Awards Ceremony
 - Tune in to Sustainable Jersey's Facebook page for the live event
- Showcase of Accomplishments Winter 2023





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