



Sustainable Jersey Grants Program

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Funding Available for Sustainability Initiatives!

Does your school have a project that needs funding?

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

Available Grants

Four \$10,000 District or School Project Grants
Thirty \$2,000 School Green Team Grants

Eligibility Rules

New Jersey public school districts or schools **registered** in the Sustainable Jersey for Schools program with an **established green team**. **Previous grant recipients** must meet additional requirements available for review at bit.ly/SJSPSEGEligibility

Learn More

Tune in for our informational webinar on Thursday,
January 13, 2022 from 3:00 to 4:00 PM.

Register at bit.ly/2022SJSPSEGWebinar

Application Due

Friday, March 11, 2022

Apply Today

The online application and other information on this cycle can be accessed at bit.ly/SJSNJEGGrants



Eliminating Styrofoam from the school cafeteria's waste stream



Older students teaching younger students about sustainability at the school green fair

For more information and to check if your school is certified visit www.sustainablejerseyschools.com



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How to Complete a Grant Application in 7 Steps

1. Think outside the box and identify an action that will fill a need or desire in your school. With over 100 actions to choose from, there is a wide variety of projects to consider applying for a grant to fund. A list of actions is available at bit.ly/SJSActions. You can also consider applying for a \$2,000 grant for general green team support. Work with your certification team to determine what projects should be given priority for this funding cycle and what grant amounts to apply for.



2. Create a project team. While only \$10,000 grant applications require evidence of a project team, it is important to meet with the appropriate people to discuss project ideas and who will be responsible for what. This is a good time to engage the school/district administrative bodies that you will need approval from in order to move forward with an application.

3. Create a Sustainable Jersey Grants Program online account. All grant applications must be submitted through the new online portal. If you have not created an account since the portal was created in 2021, you can follow the instructions available at bit.ly/SJSGrantAccountInstructions.

4. Prepare your grant authorization document. Applicants can either adopt a School Board Resolution or have a letter written by the superintendent, business administrator, or school principal to fulfill this requirement. Templates and guidance are available in the Application Information Packet. If adopting a resolution, it is recommended that you get it on your next meeting agenda so that it can be uploaded by the 4/8 deadline.

5. Complete Section One: School Grant Proposal by the 3/11 deadline. Review the available tips, the Application Information Packet and the guidance and resources in the action you plan on addressing in your project when crafting your proposal. Tips can be found at bit.ly/SJSGrantAppTips. Be concise when writing the different proposal sections. The application includes an "Optional Information" section where you can provide additional information that is relevant to the project or related green team efforts.

6. Complete Section Two: SJS Program Status by the 3/11 deadline. Indicate your school or district's status in the Sustainable Jersey for Schools Program and, if your school is not certified or your district does not have at least one certified school, you will need to upload green team documentation.

7. Complete Section Three: Grant Authorization Document by the 4/8 deadline. A signed and dated copy of your grant authorization resolution or letter must be uploaded by the deadline in order for your application to be considered.

Grant Awards Announced in Early May



Spreading awareness of endangered species



Playing water basketball in an after-school program



Yoga and mindfulness in the classroom



Performing a waste audit to learn more about the school's waste