



SubjectToClimate Teacher Taskforce Application Information [New Jersey]

Remote, Contractor Opportunity

Who we are

SubjectToClimate (StC) is a nonprofit online connector for teachers of all subjects and grade levels to find credible, unbiased, and engaging materials on climate change. Learn more about us [here](#).

Background

In June 2020, New Jersey became the first and only State to require comprehensive climate change education in all grade levels and content areas in K-12 schools through the formal [State Learning Standards](#). We know that in order for this to be effectively implemented, teachers need to be supported with adequate resources. And we also know that teachers know best what other teachers need.

With this mindset, the New Jersey Climate Change Education Initiative worked alongside SubjectToClimate to launch the [New Jersey Climate Change Education Hub](#) in 2022.

The New Jersey Climate Change Education Initiative was formed to ensure all NJ public school teachers are prepared to integrate climate change across all grade levels and content areas within the five years of this policy being adopted. This initiative consists of:

- [Sustainable Jersey](#)
- [National Wildlife Federation](#)
- [The College of New Jersey School of Education](#)
- [New Jersey Audubon](#)
- [New Jersey School Boards Association](#)
- [SubjectToClimate](#)

Key to the New Jersey Climate Change Education Hub launch was the inaugural cohort of teaching fellows who created climate change lesson plans to support teachers of all grade levels and disciplines. Building on that important work, we are now excited to announce the creation of the **SubjectToClimate New Jersey Teacher Taskforce!** We are seeking past and present NJ teachers to join our mission of making climate change education accessible to all.

The Role

We know teachers are leaders for climate change. **SubjectToClimate New Jersey Teacher Taskforce** will work at the heart of what we do: to build exemplar lesson plans *by teachers, for teachers*.

- Following StC guidelines, create New Jersey-based lesson plans and accompanying materials to inspire teachers to teach about climate change. ([see here](#))
- While you will build the lesson plans individually, you will be collaborating with other taskforce members and a team to help you along the way.
- Your exemplar lesson plans will be peer-reviewed. We expect taskforce members to iterate on their lesson plans based on feedback as well as after teaching them in their own classroom, when possible.

What We Are Looking For

Requirements:

- Passionate about our mission and values
- Creative with an ability to create original content
- At least two years of formal teaching experience or two years in an educator role (can be informal settings such as parks, zoos, aquariums, gardens, community leadership, etc.).
- Access to an Internet connection and a laptop or desktop computer.

Auxiliary Requirements

- Knowledge of climate change topics
- Ability to balance working independently and collaboratively
- Experience working in schools from overburdened and low-income communities (especially Title I schools)
- Worked in a variety of teaching positions including curriculum development.
- Participated in hands-on, project-based, and/or problem-based learning.
- Experience with NJ Learning Standards

*Black, Indigenous, People of Color (BIPOC), and other underrepresented groups are strongly encouraged to apply.

*You do not need to be a current teacher to apply.

*Even if you do not think you meet the requirements, we encourage you to apply.

What We Offer

Not only will you be part of an inspiring group of people from all over New Jersey, but we also offer:

- Training and support to develop skills that will enhance your resume
- Opportunities to collaborate with professionals in a wide network

- Flexible work schedule
- New Jersey Teacher Taskforce Members will be paid \$21/hour.
- This is eligible for Eco-School Pathways and Sustainable Jersey points.

Interested? Next Steps

[Complete this application form!](#) If you have any questions, feel free to email elaine.makarevich@subjecttoclimate.org