

Participation in the Sustainable Jersey for Schools Certification Program

Whereas—The Glassboro Board of Education seeks to participate in Sustainable Jersey for Schools to focus attention and efforts on matters of sustainability and pursue initiatives that will lead to Sustainable Jersey for Schools Certification.

Whereas—The Glassboro Board of Education and District Superintendent seek to support and work with school staff and administrators, students, and parents to ensure a safe and healthy environment for students by encouraging our school community to implement sustainable, energy-smart, eco-friendly, and cost-effective solutions.

Whereas—Extensive opportunities exist to teach students about ecological, economic and social sustainability, environmental health, and nutrition; to integrate sustainability education into classroom learning; and to support students in becoming leaders in making their schools healthier and more sustainable places.

Whereas—Many options and choices exist for schools to use resources more efficiently; to reduce, reuse, and recycle; to follow Green Building Standards for construction and major renovations; to form school partnerships; to eliminate toxic chemicals; to purchase (or produce) clean energy; and to purchase recycled paper, energy-efficient equipment and other green products to protect our global environment.

Whereas—Sustainability means using resources wisely, saving money, and reducing our impact on the environment, all of which will ensure the future health, safety, and prosperity of our children.

Whereas—The Glassboro Board of Education commits to the formation of at least one Sustainability Leadership Team (also referred to as “Green Team”), based on the guidance of Sustainable Jersey for Schools. (See the “Create A Green Team” action. Your district “Green Team” can be designated from a pre-existing group within the district if desired.).

Whereas—Green Team members help schools adopt policies and practices addressing areas such as sustainability education and professional training, green purchasing, waste reduction, indoor air quality, energy-saving initiatives, and community partnerships.

Whereas—The Glassboro Board of Education will encourage Green Teams at all district schools by providing networking and educational opportunities.

Therefore, it is resolved that the Glassboro Board of Education agrees to participate in Sustainable Jersey for Schools, and it is the board’s intention to pursue certification for schools in the district.

We hereby appoint Sonya Harris, Teacher at Dorothy L. Bullock School, to be the district’s liaison to Sustainable Jersey for Schools.

We do hereby recognize Glassboro Public School(s), J. Harvey Rodgers School, Dorothy L. Bullock School, Thomas E. Bowe School, Glassboro Intermediate School, and Glassboro High School as the agent(s) to carry out our commitment to building a sustainable school district through the implementation of Sustainable Jersey for Schools actions.

We agree to complete district actions and to support the district's schools in completing their actions.

Signature of President of the Board of Education

Date

Signature of District Superintendent

Date

Signature of Business Administrator

Date

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To: Sustainable Jersey
From: J. Harvey Rodgers School, Glassboro Public Schools
Date: March 24, 2016
Subject: Intent to Participate in Sustainable Jersey for Schools

By this letter, we acknowledge that J. Harvey Rodgers School in the Glassboro Public School District intends to participate in the free and voluntary Sustainable Jersey for Schools certification program. Sustainable Jersey for Schools recognizes and promotes best practices that result in a healthier school climate, improve the educational program, and conserve schools' limited physical and financial resources.

J. Harvey Rodgers School agrees to appoint a school Green Team and/or to participate on the District Green Team to carry out our commitment to building a sustainable school through the implementation of Sustainable Jersey for school actions. Our participation supports the School Boards' adoption of a resolution to participate in the Sustainable Jersey for Schools program and to pursue certification.

J. Harvey Rodgers School hereby appoints Aaron Edwards, Principal to serve as our primary contact for the Sustainable Jersey for Schools program.

School Principal

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To: Sustainable Jersey
From: Dorothy L. Bullock School, Glassboro Public Schools
Date: March 24, 2016
Subject: Intent to Participate in Sustainable Jersey for Schools

By this letter, we acknowledge that Dorothy L. Bullock School in the Glassboro Public School District intends to participate in the free and voluntary Sustainable Jersey for Schools certification program. Sustainable Jersey for Schools recognizes and promotes best practices that result in a healthier school climate, improve the educational program, and conserve schools' limited physical and financial resources.

Dorothy L. Bullock School agrees to appoint a school Green Team and/or to participate on the District Green Team to carry out our commitment to building a sustainable school through the implementation of Sustainable Jersey for school actions. Our participation supports the School Boards' adoption of a resolution to participate in the Sustainable Jersey for Schools program and to pursue certification.

Dorothy L. Bullock School hereby appoints Sonya Harris, Teacher to serve as our primary contact for the Sustainable Jersey for Schools program.

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To: Sustainable Jersey
From: Thomas E. Bowe School, Glassboro Public Schools
Date: March 24, 2016
Subject: Intent to Participate in Sustainable Jersey for Schools

By this letter, we acknowledge that Thomas E. Bowe School in the Glassboro Public School District intends to participate in the free and voluntary Sustainable Jersey for Schools certification program. Sustainable Jersey for Schools recognizes and promotes best practices that result in a healthier school climate, improve the educational program, and conserve schools' limited physical and financial resources.

Thomas E. Bowe School agrees to appoint a school Green Team and/or to participate on the District Green Team to carry out our commitment to building a sustainable school through the implementation of Sustainable Jersey for school actions. Our participation supports the School Boards' adoption of a resolution to participate in the Sustainable Jersey for Schools program and to pursue certification.

Thomas E. Bowe School hereby appoints Kelly-Ann Marchese, Teacher to serve as our primary contact for the Sustainable Jersey for Schools program.

School Principal

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To: Sustainable Jersey
From: Glassboro Intermediate School, Glassboro Public Schools
Date: March 24, 2016
Subject: Intent to Participate in Sustainable Jersey for Schools

By this letter, we acknowledge that Glassboro Intermediate School in the Glassboro Public School District intends to participate in the free and voluntary Sustainable Jersey for Schools certification program. Sustainable Jersey for Schools recognizes and promotes best practices that result in a healthier school climate, improve the educational program, and conserve schools' limited physical and financial resources.

Glassboro Intermediate School agrees to appoint a school Green Team and/or to participate on the District Green Team to carry out our commitment to building a sustainable school through the implementation of Sustainable Jersey for school actions. Our participation supports the School Boards' adoption of a resolution to participate in the Sustainable Jersey for Schools program and to pursue certification.

Glassboro Intermediate School hereby appoints Lisa Montana, Teacher to serve as our primary contact for the Sustainable Jersey for Schools program.

School Principal

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To: Sustainable Jersey
From: Glassboro High School, Glassboro Public Schools
Date: March 24, 2016
Subject: Intent to Participate in Sustainable Jersey for Schools

By this letter, we acknowledge that Glassboro High School in the Glassboro Public School District intends to participate in the free and voluntary Sustainable Jersey for Schools certification program. Sustainable Jersey for Schools recognizes and promotes best practices that result in a healthier school climate, improve the educational program, and conserve schools' limited physical and financial resources.

Glassboro High School agrees to appoint a school Green Team and/or to participate on the District Green Team to carry out our commitment to building a sustainable school through the implementation of Sustainable Jersey for school actions. Our participation supports the School Boards' adoption of a resolution to participate in the Sustainable Jersey for Schools program and to pursue certification.

Glassboro High School hereby appoints Richard Wisniewski, Teacher to serve as our primary contact for the Sustainable Jersey for Schools program.

School Principal

Date

District Superintendent

Date



SUSTAINABLE JERSEY FOR SCHOOLS:

- Advances and supports sustainable practices in schools and prepares the next generation of children to address sustainability issues
- Identifies actions that schools can implement to become certified
- Provides guidance and tools to enable schools to make progress on each action
- Provides access to grants and identifies funding opportunities for schools to make progress toward the actions

SUSTAINABLE JERSEY FOR SCHOOLS AT-A-GLANCE

- New Jersey schools/districts apply for certification. Certification is achieved at individual school level.
- There is no fee for the certification, the use of the program tools or participation in the training workshops. The certification is valid for three years.
- The program is voluntary.
- There are two certification levels: bronze level requires a total of 150 points and silver level requires a total of 350 points.

Sustainable Jersey for Schools

is a certification program for New Jersey public schools that want to go green, conserve resources and take steps to create a brighter future, one school at a time.

CERTIFICATION BENEFITS

Sustainable Jersey certification is a prestigious designation. Registration is free and grants will be available. The program provides a framework for collaboration between schools and with the school district. Don't miss your chance to be part of the first schools to be certified and to:

Save money. Get money.

Schools will implement practices that lead to cost savings in energy, water and garbage bills. The program will help improve efficiency, cut waste and free up money for the classroom. Participating schools/districts will be alerted to available grant money.

Gain access to training, tools and expert guidance.

Participating schools will have access to clear guidance and NJ specific tools and resources for developing a comprehensive sustainable school program. Training workshops, webinars and leadership meetings will provide your school with the opportunity to connect with experts in important school sustainability issues.

Get recognized. Promote your school.

Participants in the Sustainable Jersey for Schools program are promoted on our website, in our publications, in the media and at events. Schools that achieve certification are provided a customized logo that can be used on the school's promotional materials. Schools will be honored at an annual event and awards recognize those schools that excel in leadership, innovation and collaboration. Program participation will enhance your efforts to achieve U.S. Department of Energy Green Ribbon recognition and/or EcoSchools Green Flag status.

Improve your school and district.

Research shows that sustainable practices positively impact student academic performance. Kids learn best when there is good natural classroom light and excellent indoor air quality. Sustainable practices help create healthier learning environments that lower illness and absenteeism.

Conserve valuable resources. Protect the environment.

New Jersey is facing issues of climate change, energy crises, water shortages and environmental pollution. Schools need to be a part of the solution to these challenges and demonstrate their commitment to environmental stewardship. Participants in the program will provide an opportunity for students to connect with curricula in environmental and science technology engineering and mathematics (STEM) education which can also serve as a tool for interactive lessons. By becoming certified, you align your school/district with your community's values while saving your resources as well as nature's.



CERTIFICATION STEPS

Get started today! The online certification program allows you to pursue a balanced sustainability program one policy, program or resource audit at a time. Your school can start slowly and see how each small step yields economic and community gains.

Step 1: School district adopts a resolution of participation and registers at the Sustainable Jersey for Schools website. (A sample resolution can be downloaded from the website.) The superintendent invites the district's school principals to participate.

Step 2: School principals register their individual school by uploading a letter of participation signed by the principal and superintendent.

Step 3: Green team is created at the district or school level depending upon how activities will be coordinated. The green team is the only mandatory action.

Step 4: School districts and schools complete actions on behalf of schools totaling at least 150 points; each action includes guidance about who should be involved, resources, what to do, submission requirements and other information related to completing the action successfully.

Step 5: School documents, associated with completed actions, are uploaded to meet submission requirements. Sustainable Jersey certification is awarded after review of application materials.

To promote a comprehensive and results oriented approach to sustainability, the certification application is based on a check list of 87 actions in 17 categories. The certification process is flexible, allowing your school to choose from a broad range of actions.

17 ACTION CATEGORIES

PROSPERITY

- Board Leadership & Planning
- Energy Efficiency
- Innovation Projects
- Learning Environment
- Student Learning



PLANET

- Climate Mitigation & Renewable Energy
- Green Cleaning
- Green Design
- Green Purchasing
- School Grounds
- Waste Management & Recycling

PEOPLE

- Diversity & Equity
- Food & Nutrition
- Healthy School Environments
- Student Safety
- Student & Community Outreach
- Student & Staff Wellness

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