

The Eco-Green Program: A STEM and Climate Equity Education Partnership National Wildlife Federation and General Motors



2021-2022 Application

Returning Participants

We know all of you have been dealing with big changes and challenges through COVID19, but we are excited that you are interested in continuing your participation in the Eco-Green program. We value your continued involvement and the contributions you are making to the field of sustainability education.

How will the Eco-Green Program work this year?

As in prior years, the goal of this partnership is to develop a global network of school communities that are actively envisioning and working towards a healthy and sustainable future. The focus of this program is on engaging students in authentic, integrated learning experiences that prepares them for STEM careers while making positive contributions in their communities. This year we will also have a stronger focus on climate change, community and climate equity. Participating schools will receive additional information about how to integrate this into your work during our introductory webinar.

We recognize that COVID 19 challenges are still impacting schools and we will continue to work to meet you and your students where you are. If you are on campus and can continue your Eco-Green work at school, the format will remain the same. If you are fully remote or working with a hybrid model, we will be continue the Eco-Green program in a virtual format and will be looking to support your school with our [Eco-Schools at Home](#) programming and resources. All educator and mentor trainings and collaborative meetings will be virtual.

To support this work, schools will receive a **\$500 seed grant** and **\$250 teacher stipend** to enhance your grant from last year. You will also receive support from your GM mentor team, and implementation assistance, resources and programming from the National Wildlife Federation. Grants can be used to support on campus work or supplies for Eco-Schools at Home programming. Please read and respond to the questions and sign to confirm your participation for the 2021-2022 school year.





If my school agrees to participate in the Eco-Green Program we will be responsible for the following (please check each to confirm your commitment to the program).

- _____ If not already registered, register your school on the [Eco-Schools website](#).
- _____ Fill out attached grant questions and application.
- _____ Commit to 2-3 virtual check in meetings with NWF and GM Mentor and create a plan of action.
- _____ Attend a 90 - minute virtual educator training.
- _____ Strongly encouraged to attend two learning sessions led by GM engineers, participating schools, and NWF
- _____ Implement the Eco-Schools or [Eco-Schools at Home](#) program.
- _____ Document your progress through stories, photos, videos, and social media.
- _____ If on campus, collect metrics and document on your Eco-Schools profile page.
- _____ If utilizing Eco-Schools at Home, collect student actions and apply for certification.
- _____ If applicable, and working on campus - apply for an Eco-Schools award.
- _____ Complete a post-survey at end of program to document achievements.

How does the grant and stipend payment work?

Your school will receive the \$500 seed grant when we have received your application, met virtually with NWF and your mentor, created a plan of action and received your school W-9 (if different from last year). This year we are offering a \$250 stipend to each school for participating educators. If there is more than one educator participating the stipend is split by the participants. For each participating educator we will need a W-9.





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Application and Release Form 2021- 2022 School Year

Contact Information

School Name: _____

School Address: _____

Project Lead 1 Name: _____ Title: _____

Project Lead 1 Email: _____ Phone Number: _____

Project Lead 2 Name: _____ Title: _____

Project Lead 2 Email: _____ Phone Number: _____

Grade Level(s): _____ #of Teachers participating: ____ # of Students participating: ____

What (if any) other groups are you already working with on any existing green school programs?

What curriculum, activities or projects have you or your school implemented around climate change?

Where you able to utilize the \$300 grant last year? If so, how? If not, how do you plan to utilize it moving forward?

What is the status of your school learning? In person? At home? Hybrid? Other?

What days and timeframes are best for scheduling 30 min check in calls between your team and your mentor?

Term: This program is scheduled to be implemented during the 2021-2022 school year. End of year survey and all metrics must be entered on the Eco-Schools USA dashboard or earned Eco-Schools at Home certification by the end of **May 2022**.

The parties below acknowledge participation in the Eco-Green Program as of this date: _____

School Contact:

Name: _____

Signature: _____

Return completed form with required signature and email to singh@nwf.org.

Once your application is reviewed and accepted we will contact you about next steps.



Questions? Contact
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