

# Project EverGREEN Schools®

The Sustainable Schools initiative of Partners GREEN

Project EverGREEN Schools is a program of Partners GREEN that helps create a no-cost program that uses the benefits of renewable energy generation and energy efficiency along with the robust education program. It offers schools a program that wraps renewable energy systems, distributed generation, and energy efficiency around a comprehensive education program.

## INTERACTIVE SUSTAINABILITY CYCLE



Through an innovative business model, Project EverGREEN Schools works collaboratively with educators, private industry and others to provide renewable energy technologies and energy-efficiency programs to schools. The savings generated by using these technologies can then be used for additional building improvements, academic scholarships, education programs, supplies and other school needs.

## Raising Public Awareness

One of the fundamental goals of Project EverGREEN Schools is to raise public awareness of environmental stewardship with the active participation of our nation's students. Engaging students and community members alike is the key to our success.

The immediate challenge is to create the next generation of energy innovators -- inventors and engineers as well as community leaders and policy-makers. Project EverGREEN Schools gives students

opportunities to navigate through the core academic disciplines, including science, technology, engineering, math, and other fields, as they become community ambassadors for a self-sustaining green energy future.

Implicit in the program is belief that sustainability can only be achieved as part of a robust educational program. Students from participating schools have the opportunity to engage their communities in learning about integrated, on-site, distributed renewable energy generation and energy-efficiency systems and strategies.

## A National Collaboration of K-20 Educators

Partners GREEN is collaborating with a national network of K-20 educators and organizations in the fields of energy, environment, and climate literacy to provide activities, resources, and information for all teachers and students for curriculum enrichment and enhancement.



At the center of the energy education component, Partners GREEN and educators will create and maintain a virtual learning center and website that will be accessible and available to all students and teachers. Interactive energy and environmental learning experiences will stimulate student creativity for technological innovations.

Dell, Inc., a Partners GREEN member, provides computers to each participating school to enable students to monitor and analyze each installation's energy output, efficiencies, and environmental impact and then share the results with their families, the community, and other Project EverGREEN Schools.

### The Country's "Go To" Organization

Partners GREEN is rapidly becoming the country's "go to" organization for energy, environment, and climate literacy. Our website and other Partners GREEN resources offer educators, students, and community members the information they need to become more knowledgeable about energy, environment, and climate.



Because regulatory policies can represent insurmountable hurdles for entry into the marketplace, Project EverGREEN Schools raises public awareness of technological discoveries and helps increase public acceptance of technological installations and energy efficiency strategies.

What better gift can we leave our children than a clean earth? With the collaborative efforts of green schools advocates, the world can and will be a better place to live. Our children will inherit blue skies and clean waters.

### A Showcase of Technological Innovations

Project EverGREEN Schools will showcase technological innovations at EverGREEN Learning

Centers™ at locations around the U.S. For example, Destiny USA in Syracuse, New York, is an exemplary model of innovation in sustainability and renewable energy. The comprehensive educational experience that Destiny USA will provide at their Project EverGREEN Schools learning center is a prudent investment in our nation's children as we move toward energy self-reliance. Students at this learning center as well as other centers across the U.S. will share with other students on site and on line their knowledge of renewable energy generation and distribution, renewable energy, and other topics.



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Notable benefits of technology innovation include the opportunities to develop the workforce with new careers and more employment opportunities, reduced energy costs, diminished reliance upon fossil fuels, conservation of natural resources, improved air and water quality, enhanced electrical infrastructure, and decreased vulnerability to terrorism.



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