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## New Jersey Schools Take the Lead on Sustainability: 111 Schools Achieve 2018 Sustainable Jersey for Schools Certification

**Ewing, NJ** – Sustainable Jersey for Schools announced today the 111 schools that achieved the Sustainable Jersey for Schools certification. The 111 public schools (kindergarten through twelfth-grade) come from 37 different school districts, across 14 New Jersey counties. In four years, 242 schools have achieved Sustainable Jersey for Schools certification. A total of 779 schools and 303 school districts are participating in the program overall.

“We applaud the schools that have achieved certification this year. Their leadership and hard work will help New Jersey continue to evolve through their advancement of equitable, sustainable and innovative practices,” said Randall Solomon, executive director of Sustainable Jersey. “Becoming certified with Sustainable Jersey for Schools is a significant achievement for schools and their school district.” Each school that is certified at the bronze level must submit documentation to show it has completed a balanced portfolio of the program’s [sustainability actions](#), attaining a minimum of 150 points.

Ten schools achieved certification at the more advanced silver level which requires a minimum of 350 points of sustainability actions. The past year has been exceptional. Over 3,048 sustainability actions were completed by schools and districts participating in the Sustainable Jersey for Schools program - from performing energy audits and boosting recycling efforts to integrating sustainability into student learning and promoting student and staff wellness.

“Sustainable schools provide a healthy environment, conserve resources and continually improve the well-being of the community. We are proud of the leadership of the boards of education and their superintendents, as well as the contributions of principals, teachers, education support professionals and parents in this effort,” said Dr. Lawrence S. Feinsod, New Jersey School Boards Association executive director. “Congratulations to the 111 schools that achieved Sustainable Jersey for Schools certification in 2018.” On October 23, 2018, the certified schools and their districts will be celebrated at a reception held during NJSBA Workshop 2018 in Atlantic City. Workshop 2018 will feature Sustainable Jersey for Schools sessions along with NJSBA sustainability support programs for schools.

<b>County</b>	<b>School District</b>	<b>2018 Certified School</b>	<b>Level</b>
Atlantic	Somers Point School District	Dawes Avenue Elementary School	BRONZE
Atlantic	Somers Point School District	New York Avenue School	BRONZE
Bergen	Midland Park School District	Midland Park High School	BRONZE
Bergen	Paramus Public School District	Paramus High School	BRONZE
Burlington	Delran Township School District	Millbridge Elementary School	BRONZE
Burlington	Tabernacle Township School District	Tabernacle Elementary School	<b>SILVER</b>
Camden	Camden City Public Schools	Brimm Medical Arts High School	BRONZE
Camden	Cherry Hill School District	Alternative High School	BRONZE
Camden	Cherry Hill School District	Barclay School	BRONZE
Camden	Cherry Hill School District	Bret Harte Elementary School	BRONZE
Camden	Cherry Hill School District	Cherry Hill High-East High School	BRONZE
Camden	Cherry Hill School District	Cherry Hill High-West High School	BRONZE
Camden	Cherry Hill School District	Clara Barton Elementary School	BRONZE
Camden	Cherry Hill School District	James F. Cooper Elementary School	BRONZE
Camden	Cherry Hill School District	John A. Carusi Middle School	BRONZE
Camden	Cherry Hill School District	Joseph D. Sharp Elementary School	BRONZE
Camden	Cherry Hill School District	Kingston Elementary School	BRONZE
Camden	Runnemede Public School District	Bingham Elementary School	BRONZE
Camden	Runnemede Public School District	Downing Elementary School	BRONZE
Camden	Runnemede Public School District	Mary E. Volz Elementary & Middle School	BRONZE
Camden	Winslow Township School District	Winslow Township High School	BRONZE
Camden	Winslow Township School District	Winslow Township Middle School	BRONZE

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Camden	Winslow Township School District	Winslow Township School No. 5 Elementary School	BRONZE
Cape May	Cape May County Special Services School District	Cape May County High School	BRONZE
Cape May	Cape May County Special Services School District	Ocean Academy	BRONZE
Cape May	Ocean City School District	Ocean City Intermediate School	BRONZE
Gloucester	Clayton Public School District	Clayton High School & Middle School	BRONZE
Gloucester	Clayton Public School District	Herma S. Simmons Elementary School	BRONZE
Gloucester	Clearview Regional High School District	Clearview Regional High School	BRONZE
Gloucester	Clearview Regional High School District	Clearview Regional Middle School	BRONZE
Gloucester	Township of Franklin Public Schools	Caroline L. Reutter School	BRONZE
Hunterdon	High Bridge Borough School District	High Bridge Middle School	BRONZE
Hunterdon	Readington Township School District	Holland Brook Elementary School	BRONZE
Hunterdon	Readington Township School District	Readington Middle School	BRONZE
Hunterdon	Readington Township School District	Three Bridges Elementary School	<b>SILVER</b>
Hunterdon	Readington Township School District	Whitehouse Elementary School	<b>SILVER</b>
Mercer	Hopewell Valley Regional School District	Bear Tavern Elementary School	BRONZE
Mercer	Hopewell Valley Regional School District	Central High School	BRONZE
Mercer	Hopewell Valley Regional School District	Hopewell Elementary School	BRONZE
Mercer	Hopewell Valley Regional School District	Timberlane Middle School	BRONZE
Mercer	Princeton Public Schools	Community Park Elementary School	BRONZE
Mercer	Princeton Public Schools	Princeton High School	BRONZE
Mercer	Princeton Public Schools	Riverside Elementary School	BRONZE
Mercer	West Windsor-Plainsboro Regional School District	Community Middle School	BRONZE
Mercer	West Windsor-Plainsboro Regional School District	Grover Middle School	BRONZE
Mercer	West Windsor-Plainsboro Regional School District	J.V.B. Wicoff Elementary School	<b>SILVER</b>
Mercer	West Windsor-Plainsboro Regional School District	Millstone River Elementary School	BRONZE
Middlesex	Metuchen Public School District	Edgar Middle School	BRONZE
Middlesex	New Brunswick School District	A. Chester Redshaw Elementary School	BRONZE
Middlesex	New Brunswick School District	Adult Learning Center	BRONZE
Middlesex	New Brunswick School District	Lincoln Annex School	BRONZE
Middlesex	New Brunswick School District	Lincoln Elementary School	BRONZE
Middlesex	New Brunswick School District	Livingston Elementary School	BRONZE
Middlesex	New Brunswick School District	Lord Stirling Community School	BRONZE
Middlesex	New Brunswick School District	McKinley Community School	BRONZE
Middlesex	New Brunswick School District	New Brunswick High School	BRONZE
Middlesex	New Brunswick School District	New Brunswick Middle School	BRONZE
Middlesex	New Brunswick School District	Paul Robeson Community School for the Arts	BRONZE
Middlesex	New Brunswick School District	Roosevelt Elementary School	BRONZE
Middlesex	New Brunswick School District	Woodrow Wilson Elementary School	BRONZE
Monmouth	Deal Borough School District	Deal Elementary School	BRONZE
Monmouth	Hazlet Township Public School District	Middle Road Elementary School	BRONZE
Monmouth	Hazlet Township Public School District	Raritan High School	BRONZE
Monmouth	Hazlet Township Public School District	Raritan Valley Elementary School	BRONZE
Monmouth	Hazlet Township Public School District	Sycamore Drive Early Childhood Learning Center	BRONZE
Monmouth	Howell Township Public School District	Memorial Elementary School	BRONZE
Monmouth	Long Branch Public School District	A.A. Anastasia Elementary School	BRONZE
Monmouth	Long Branch Public School District	Academy of Alternative Programs at Audrey W. Clark School	BRONZE
Monmouth	Long Branch Public School District	George L. Catrambone Elementary School	<b>SILVER</b>
Monmouth	Long Branch Public School District	Gregory Elementary School	BRONZE
Monmouth	Long Branch Public School District	Joseph M. Ferraina Childhood Learning Center	BRONZE
Monmouth	Long Branch Public School District	Lenna W. Conrow Elementary School	BRONZE
Monmouth	Long Branch Public School District	Long Branch High School	<b>SILVER</b>
Monmouth	Long Branch Public School District	Long Branch Middle School	<b>SILVER</b>
Monmouth	Long Branch Public School District	Morris Avenue Elementary School	<b>SILVER</b>
Monmouth	Sea Girt Borough School District	Sea Girt Elementary School	BRONZE
Monmouth	Shore Regional High School District	Shore Regional High School	BRONZE
Morris	Chester School District	Black River Middle School	BRONZE
Morris	Chester School District	Bragg Elementary School	BRONZE
Morris	Chester School District	Dickerson Elementary School	BRONZE

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Morris	Montville Township School District	Hilldale Elementary School	BRONZE
Morris	Montville Township School District	Valley View Elementary School	BRONZE
Morris	Montville Township School District	Woodmont Elementary School	BRONZE
Morris	Pequannock Township School District	Hillview Elementary School	BRONZE
Morris	Pequannock Township School District	North Boulevard Elementary School	BRONZE
Morris	Pequannock Township School District	Pequannock Township High School	BRONZE
Morris	Pequannock Township School District	Pequannock Valley Middle School	BRONZE
Morris	Pequannock Township School District	Stephen J. Gerace Elementary School	BRONZE
Morris	Roxbury Township School District	Eisenhower Middle School	BRONZE
Morris	Roxbury Township School District	Franklin Elementary School	BRONZE
Morris	Roxbury Township School District	Jefferson Elementary School	BRONZE
Morris	Roxbury Township School District	Kennedy Elementary School	BRONZE
Morris	Roxbury Township School District	Lincoln Roosevelt Elementary School	BRONZE
Morris	Roxbury Township School District	Nixon Elementary School	BRONZE
Morris	Roxbury Township School District	Roxbury High School	BRONZE
Ocean	Jackson Township School District	Carl W. Goetz Middle School	BRONZE
Ocean	Jackson Township School District	Christa McAuliffe Middle School	BRONZE
Ocean	Jackson Township School District	Crawford-Rodriguez Elementary School	BRONZE
Ocean	Jackson Township School District	Elms Elementary School	SILVER
Ocean	Jackson Township School District	Howard C. Johnson Elementary School	BRONZE
Ocean	Jackson Township School District	Jackson Liberty High School	SILVER
Ocean	Jackson Township School District	Jackson Memorial High School	BRONZE
Ocean	Jackson Township School District	Lucy N. Holman Elementary School	BRONZE
Ocean	Jackson Township School District	Switlik Elementary School	BRONZE
Ocean	Jackson Township School District	Sylvia Rosenauer Elementary School	BRONZE
Ocean	Lacey Township School District	Lanoka Harbor Elementary School	BRONZE
Ocean	Manchester Township School District	Whiting Elementary School	BRONZE
Ocean	Passaic County Manchester Regional HS District	Manchester Regional High School	BRONZE
Somerset	North Plainfield School District	North Plainfield High School	BRONZE
Somerset	Watchung Borough Public School District	Bayberry Elementary School	BRONZE
Warren	Knowlton Township School District	Knowlton Township Elementary School	BRONZE

### **About Sustainable Jersey for Schools**

Sustainable Jersey for Schools is a certification program for public schools in New Jersey. It was launched by Sustainable Jersey, a nonprofit organization that provides tools, training and financial incentives to support and reward municipalities and schools as they pursue sustainability programs. To date, 303 school districts and 779 schools are participating in the program.

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