



Delaware Pathways to Green Schools 2021-22 Application for New Program Participants

Green Building United (GBU) is seeking applicants for its **Delaware Pathways to Green Schools Program**. The program was renewed for a seventh year thanks to the continued support of the **Energize Delaware, the Sustainable Energy Utility (SEU)**.

The Pathways Program provides grants, one-on-one support, and expert resources to K-12 schools in Delaware that are committed to becoming healthier, more sustainable, and more energy efficient. Qualifying schools receive a free building energy assessment and are eligible to apply to our annual mini grant program to support projects related to energy and/or climate change. Participating schools work toward achieving certification and national recognition through [Eco-Schools USA](#) and the U.S. Department of Education's [Green Ribbon Schools](#) award.

All applicants are required to complete the attached questionnaire and participate in a virtual interview with GBU staff before being notified of their selection status. Public, charter, and independent schools will be selected to participate based on their capacity and ability to commit to the program; demonstrated success with sustainability initiatives; and potential for improvement.

The program will accept applications on a rolling basis through **Friday, September 17** or until capacity is reached.

Please contact LeAnne Harvey at lh Harvey@greenbuildingunited.org with any questions. To learn more about the Pathways Program, please visit [GBU's website](#).

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New Schools Application

Name of School: _____

Address: _____

School district (if applicable): _____

Grade Levels: _____ **Public, Charter or Independent?** _____

Please provide thoughtful responses to the following questions:

1) Why are you interested in applying to the Pathways to Green Schools program?

2) Why do you think your school is a good candidate?

3) If selected, what do you hope to get out of this program?

4) Has your school implemented any sustainability initiatives already? If so, what were they?

5) How did you hear about the Pathways Program?

School Support:

Please list **three members** of your school community who will actively support your school's participation throughout the program, serve as the primary contacts between your school and GBU, and will be available to participate in an in-person interview with GBU staff. Examples include teachers, administrators, nutrition staff, nurses, guidance counselors, parents, community members, etc.

1) Name: _____ Role: _____

Phone number: _____ Email: _____

2) Name: _____ Role: _____

Phone number: _____ Email: _____

3) Name: _____ Role: _____

Phone number: _____ Email: _____

To ensure maximum school and district support for the initiatives in this program, we request that you obtain the approval of both the school principal and the school or district facility manager. Please have them sign and date below.

School Principal

Name: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____

Phone number: _____ Email: _____

Facility Manager

Name: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____

Phone number: _____ Email: _____

For the Facility Manager:

Has your building undergone an energy assessment within the last three years? If applicable, please expand on who performed the audit, their major recommendations, and any actions you've taken as a result.

Please send completed applications to LeAnne Harvey at lharvey@greenbuildingunited.org no later than **Friday, September 17**. All applicants are expected to participate in a virtual interview.