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Announcements

* **What can you do about Climate Change?**
  + Did you know: in Minnesota, climate change has hit home, with three 1,000-year floods since 2004 and dozens more intense weather events—from hail storms to tornadoes to droughts.
  + To lessen the impacts of climate change you can walk, bike, carpool, or take public transit! We drive a lot in this country and much of our CO2 output comes from transportation.
* **Recycling Resources for your Classroom**
  + If your team is collecting holiday lights as a project and you are looking for the nearest drop off site, check out this [CERTS link](http://www.cleanenergyresourceteams.org/ryh?mc_cid=a348d4662c&mc_eid=edc72a8188). Remember to weigh your lights before or during the drop off so we can acknowledge the hard work of your team.
* **Teacher Recourses and Field Trip Possibilities**
  + The Science Museum of Minnesota is offering some unique opportunities that would be beneficial to your team. See what they have to offer at this [link!](https://www.smm.org/educators/programs-your-school/engineering-elementary)

Grants and Opportunities

* The McKnight Foundation has awarded YES teams from around the State the opportunity to receive grants up to $1,000 for climate change initiatives. Has your team applied for their piece of the prize yet? Here is the link to the proposal, Recipients of the grants will be announced in the next few weeks. If your team did not get their proposal in, we will be offering a second chance in January for remaining funds.

Coach Tips

* Your coordinators are starting to plan for Winter Workshops in each region. If you have not had conversations with your coordinator about winter workshops, please make that contact soon so you don’t miss out on the opportunity for an exceptional learning opportunity for your team.

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