

#### YES! **WELCOME BACK** UPDATE 8.28.2017

### **Program Announcements**

- Mark your calendars for Oct. 11, 8 2 for the 2017 YES! Fall Summit! Check out the Fall Summit Invitation for more information.
- Attend one of the <u>Watts and Drops</u> Coach Webinars hosted by CERTs (Clean Energy Resource Teams).
  This is a great opportunity to learn about this fundraising and energy saving project. Two sessions will be held September 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:15 am and 3:30 pm. Click <u>here</u> to link to the meeting.
- Please <u>fill out the attached 2017-18 season registration form</u> and email it to your coordinator if you have not already done so.

# Regional Highlights

**West Central/Central**: Welcome back to another year of school and another year of YES!. I look forward to working with everyone this season on their energy action projects! *Ali Dahmes* 

**North East:** The State Fair is soon to start that means that summer is almost over. Welcome back coaches. We have a great Fall Summit planned for October 16th here in the NE. Look for more info to follow as school officially starts. *Jim DeVries* 

**Southern**: I am so excited for the start of the school year and ultimately the YES! year! This will be my first fall with YES! and I am so excited to help my teams kick start and epic year of projects and learning! I can't wait for us all to make a huge difference on lives and the environment and grow our passions for environmental stewardship. *Michelle Isaacson* 

**North West:** Welcome back! I hope you had a wonderful summer and are looking forward to a great school year. I am looking forward to working with you and your team! *Monica Thompson* 

# State & National Grants & Other Opportunities

- Compete in CERTs Solar Video Contest put together up to 3 solar videos and submit by October 24<sup>th</sup>. Learn more about this opportunity here.
- Recycling Association of Minnesota (RAM) has many recycling bins for sale around \$40-\$60 per bin. Contact Brita Sailer with any questions at <a href="mailto:brita@recycleminnesota.org">brita@recycleminnesota.org</a>.

## YES! in the News

- New London-Spicer YES! Team Searching for Aquatic Invasive Species
- Alexandria Yes! Team: School district's first gardener growing into the job