



YES! **Update** 12.4.2017

Program Announcements

- YES! will be offering another round of Project Funds supported by the McKnight Foundation. The grant [application](#) will be due on January 22. Keep this in mind as you are planning your projects! —Shelli-Kae Foster, Program Manager
- Team Reminders
 - Please complete your [registration form](#) before the holiday break.
 - Please submit your project proposal questionnaire [here](#) so your coordinator can get your team its customized metric tool. This document will be **required to submit** to qualify for spring judging.

Regional Highlights

Northeast - Climate change is very evident again this year in the NE, we had close to a foot of snow on the ground at the beginning of November and then a warming trend set in. The lack of snow and thin ice conditions are hard on the winter sports enthusiasts who depend on snow and cold to participate in their chosen activity. We need to continue to make reductions in our fossil fuel consumption to help lessen the impacts of CO2 in our atmosphere. - *Jim*

West Central – Our first regional workshop is happening this Wednesday at Glencoe-Silver Lake High School where students will be learning more about solar and efficient automotive design. -*Ali*

Southern - Tuesday November 28 I spent the day at a STEM conference with Coordinator Ali and volunteer Tom. We were super excited to spread the word about YES! through a presentation and and tabling and learned about some wonderful STEM activities that teams can implement. - *Michelle*

State & National Grants & Other Opportunities

December 9, 2017 - *Climate Change and the Mississippi: Meet Us at the Confluence Workshop* - Discover the science, impacts, and solutions of climate change happening right here in the Midwest. Find out more and register for this workshop [here](#).

Project Learning Tree Grants – [GreenSchools](#) provides a blueprint for educators, students, environmental and health advocates, school board members, parents, and interested community members to teach, learn, and engage together in creating a more green and healthy learning environment at their school. Grants up to \$3,000 are available.

YES! in the News

- [Fall Summit prepares YES! students for success with interactive sessions](#)

