



YES! Update 10.12.2018

Program Announcements

- Kately Dorry from the Northern Lights Community School in Warba is featured in [Climate Cast](#) with Paul Huttner (MPR). YES! is not mentioned, but this was a YES! project in collaboration with Climate Generation. Nice job! ~Shelli-Kae Foster
- **McKnight Funding** - The first round of McKnight Grant is due October 24th! Reminder, this grant is for projects that are related to climate change and/or renewable/clean energy and energy conservation. Find the application in coaches corner [here](#).

Fall Summit Session Recap

Coaches Meeting – Discussions included what is new this year, funding, accessing coaches corner, and more!

Funding will be coming from two pools this year.

- Seed money for **water quality projects**, funding will be coming from the Environment and Natural Resource Trust Fund. Please complete the [ENRTF Project Funding Request](#)
- Seed money for **climate change and energy projects**, funding will be coming from the McKnight Foundation. Please complete the [McKnight Project Funding Request](#)

[YES! Students and Coaches](#) (“Coaches Corner”)

- Password is: sayyes!
- Has **all** the documents you will need throughout the year

Water – Students rotated between three experts on water quality to hear about how land use affects water quality, how aquatic invasive species are harming the environment, how to promote the adoption of sustainable behaviors, and they also had a chance to brainstorm different water projects they could take back to their community.

Eco Project Sharing – Students heard from 5 resources about projects including local foods, clean energy, energy conservation, climate change, and prairie restoration. Then they met with the experts one-on-one to talk about their specific plans for projects!

Flying Squirrel – Even with the bits of rain, the students had a blast working together as a team pulling each other up to 40 feet into the air on this high ropes challenge.

Waste - Less Lunch – Congratulations to New London Spicer Middle School and Mankato West. They received a pizza party for up to \$50 for having NO waste during lunch along with completing registrations and pre-assessment surveys!

Watch for 2018 Fall Summit pictures and blog posts on the YES! website later this week.

