



YES! Update 10.22.2018

Program Announcements

- Reminder – if you have a project related to clean energy and/or climate change mitigation strategies you are encouraged to apply for the first McKnight grant. [Application](#) is due Oct. 24 ~Shelli-Kae Foster
- Team Reminders
 - Please have all students complete the [Pre-Assessment Survey](#) if they have not done so
 - Indicate your winter workshop topic preferences by taking [this survey](#) by Nov. 1st

Regional Highlights

Laurentian Environmental Center – We are excited to have had a great Fall Summit and are looking forward to seeing the great projects that will be started. Northern Lights Community School is installing a new hydration station to conserve water and plastic in our schools. ~Sam Horner

Ney Nature Center – There is an energy and B3 Benchmarking workshop in Mankato on November 1 and if you are interested please contact me for more information. ~Sophie Bishop

Prairie Woods ELC – YME High School is thinking about researching a way to collect water in their community orchard and/or garden for the plants. ~Ali Dahmes

Metro – The Forest Lake YES! team will be hosting a climate convening session with Climate Generation on Wednesday October 24th at 2:30 PM at the High School. ~Tom McDougall

Grants and Other Opportunities

Due 11.1.18 – *Solar Video Contest*. Submit up to 3 solar videos between 30 seconds and 10 minutes that educates people about solar energy in some way. Videos with the most public votes win: \$1,000 for 1st, \$300 for 2nd, and \$200 for 3rd. Learn more about the contest [here](#)!

Due 11.12.18 - *Energy Education at the Local Level Grant Program*. Awarding grants of up to \$5,000 to carry out energy education initiatives. It is available to qualified applicants, either individuals or partnerships, who are educators (pre-K through grade 12) at schools, youth groups, educational programs, nonprofits, or other civic organizations. Find out more and apply [here](#).

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