

YES! Update 4.1.2019

Program Announcements

YES! is preparing a 2020 LCCMR proposal for consideration. I will be sending all coaches a support letter template to customize later this week. Thank you! ~Shelli-Kae Foster, Program Director

Regional Highlights

Laurentian Environmental Center – NE YES! Spring Judging has been changed to Wednesday, April 24th. We are looking forward to hearing all of your great accomplishments from this year. We are also happy to announce that the NE Region was awarded \$1,200 from Lake Country Power for our judging event and other costs. ~Sam Horner, Northeast Coordinator

Prairie Woods ELC – Prairie Wood ELC in Spicer is having an Earth Day Celebration on April 13th from 8:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. Join us for activities, exhibits, and a recycled outdoor gear sale. The Audubon Center of the North Woods will also be doing a live animal program! ~Taylor Templer, West Central Coordinator

Ney Nature Center – All our winter workshops are done! Thank you to all who attended, and I hope the information will be helpful for your projects. If you are interested in hearing more about other regions' winter workshops, please check out the YES! blog. ~Sophie Bishop, Southern Coordinator

Metro – The Forest Lake YES! team will hold a Climate Convening with Climate Generation on April 11th from 3:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M. at the High School, and the public is welcome to attend. The Minnetonka YES! team on April 3rd will be taking a field trip to visit a UofM prototype Deep Winter Greenhouse constructed in Lake City, MN to learn about its design and operational features. ~Tom McDougall, Metro Coordinator

Events/Opportunities

FREE FOR STUDENTS – The <u>Green Schools Conference & Expo</u> is coming to the St. Paul RiverCentre on April 8-9th. USGBC has opened up a couple of opportunities for students and their teachers. These opportunities are good for middle school and high school students.

Attend the Exhibit Hall for FREE, after school on Tuesday, April 9th from 4-5:30pm. Teachers or school club leaders who sign their students up will receive prep materials to help their students. More information and a sign-up form is available <u>here</u>. Sign up by the end of the day on **Wednesday, April 3rd!** Contact Anisa Heming @ <u>aheming@usgbc.org</u> for more information.

Attend regular sessions on Monday, April 8th, this is best for high school age students. More information on what sessions they should attend and how to register is attached. This registration opportunity also closes on **Wednesday**, **April 3rd**.

YES! Will be presenting "Getting to Green in MN" with Edison High School and Rivers Edge Academy at the 2019 National Green Schools Conference, April 8th from 2:45-3:45. Click here for more!

The Midwest Renewable Energy Association and Straubel Foundation Clean Energy Leadership Award is designed to assist students who are pursuing degrees and/or relevant credentials in renewable energy, energy efficiency, or clean technology. Click <u>here</u> to find out more about this scholarship opportunity! Apply by **April 15**th.