

YES! Update 9.14.2020

Program Announcements

Check out our <u>2019-20 YES! Team Accomplishments</u>. This is a great way to tell others about YES! and your students accomplishments from last year and to inspire ideas for this year. "Shelli-Kae Foster, Program Director

Team To Do's

- Complete the online YES! Team Registration Form and pay registration fee.
- Make sure each of your students fill out the <u>Pre-Assessment Survey</u> and have their parents fill out the online <u>2020-21 Liability Release Form</u> prior to the Virtual Fall Summit on September 30th

YES! Events

YES! Virtual Coaches Meeting: Wednesday, September 16th @ 3:30 to 4 PM. Join YES! coaches for an overview of resources, tips to make your team's projects successful and for an opportunity to connect with other coaches across the state!

YES! Virtual Fall Summit: *Climate Change in Minnesota* – Wednesday, September 30th @ 8:30 to 11:30 AM. A kick-off event with 3 key presenters and interactive activities! The Fall Summit will take place via Zoom.

Fall/Winter Workshops: Customized workshops either at Prairie Woods ELC, Ney Nature Center, or at your school. We will be keeping these events small, with groups of 20 participants or less, following COVID-19 safety guidelines. These workshop include but are not limited to: *Edible Landscapes, Prairie Restoration and Soil Health, Aquatic Invasive Species Surveying and Water Testing, Renewable Energy, Waste Reduction/Composting, etc..*

Other Opportunities

Make a video to tell your school's solar energy story or convince school leadership that going solar is a good idea for a chance to win up to \$1,000. Find out more at CERTs <u>Solar Schools Video Contest</u>. Deadline is October 6th, 2020.

Apply for the <u>Electric School Bus Pilot Project</u>, a MPCA grant funded by the VW settlement. Deadline is October 13th, 2020.

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