



Eco-Schools

How to Use the NWF Eco-Schools Program to Engage K-12 Schools in Your Community



An internationally acclaimed program currently serving 5,100 U.S. schools greening their buildings, grounds and curricula. Engaging more than 100,000 educators and serving 3 million students.



NWF Schoolyard Habitats®

The nation's largest school garden program now supporting 7,300 schools across America engaging 40,000 educators and serving 1.4 million students. These garden habitats become center pieces of learning for these schools.



Largest and most established sustainable schools program in the world.

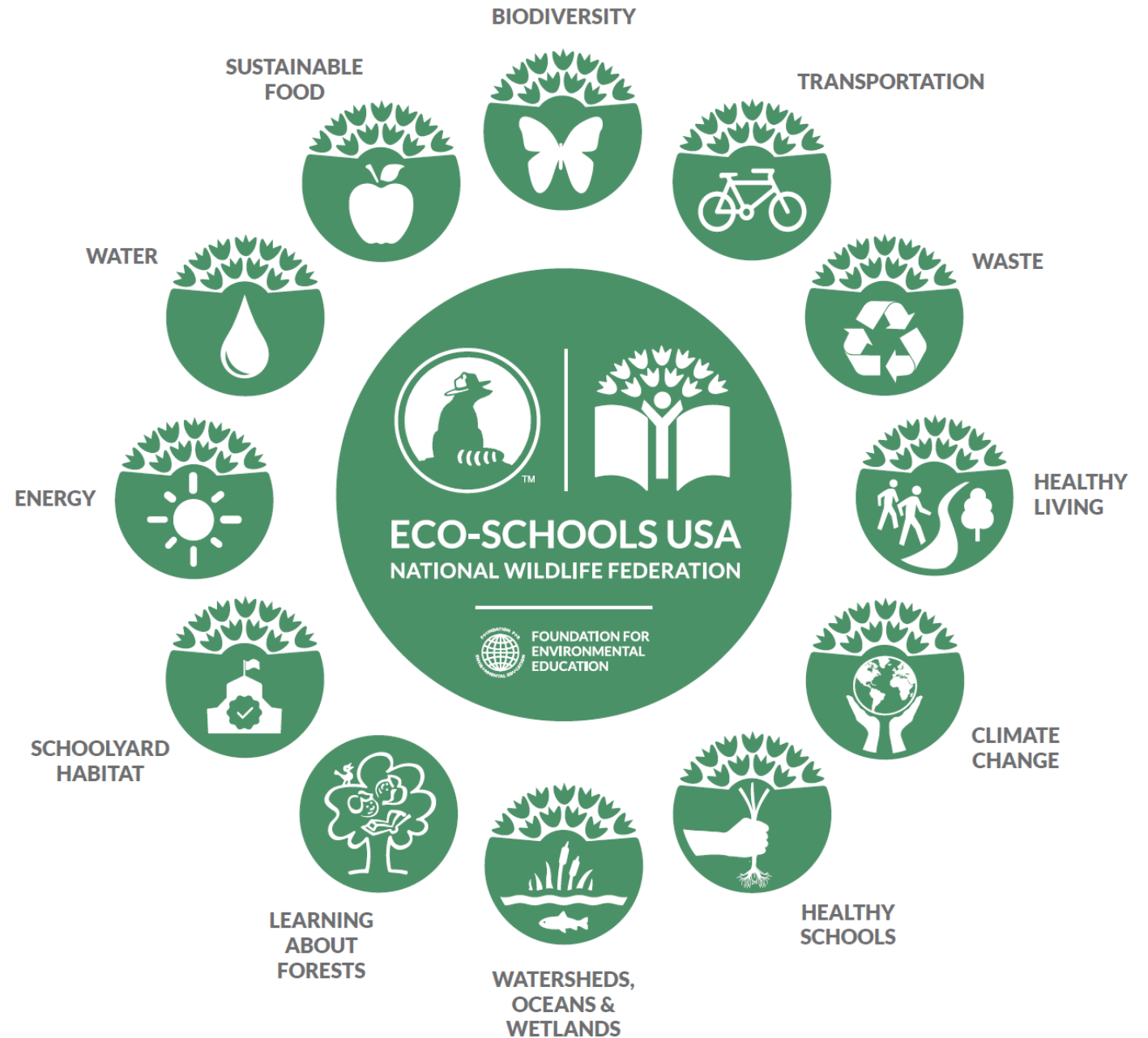
- **67 Countries**
- **55,000 Schools**
- **19 Million Students**



Eco-Schools Seven Step Framework



Eco-Schools Pathways to Sustainability



Eco-Schools Awards



Stories from the Field

DELAWARE PATHWAYS TO GREEN SCHOOLS

PHILADELPHIA: ECO-SCHOOLS AND GREENFUTURES





Empower Student Leaders

- Encourage student voice, choice and action
- Help students create timelines and monitor systems
- Provide safe space and opportunities for skill development





Use the community and school building as a classroom

- **School grounds**
- **Local parks**
- **Using partnerships and their expertise (ex. non-profits, community based organizations and city agencies)**

Foster opportunities for real-world problem-solving



- **Align opportunities with an Eco-Schools pathway**
- **Connect opportunities to school or community environmental concerns**





Build a Community of Learners

- Support teachers in professional development
- Engage families and volunteers





Communicate & Celebrate Successes!

- **Share your plans, progress, successes with school and community**
- **Document your efforts**
- **Celebrate and acknowledge achieving your goals**





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**HOW CAN NWF ECO-SCHOOLS SUPPORT YOUR
REGION'S EDUCATIONAL NEEDS?**