

Benchmarking: Re-Energizing New York State Schools!

NYSERDA's Energy Smart Schools Program



- **Increase energy efficiency**
- **Improve indoor environmental quality**
- **Create an outstanding learning environment for students and staff**

**Participate in NYSERDA's FREE
Benchmarking services between April 1st and
June 30th and get the following rewards...FREE**

Silver — With one complete and current year of data, you are eligible for one free energy-efficiency tool (an infrared thermometer or a light meter) and a complementary ticket to a one-day School Facilities Managers Institute training.

Gold — With three complete and current years of data, you are eligible for all of the above and a one-day energy-efficiency consultation visit.

Platinum — With four or more years of data, you are eligible for all of the above, as well as a one-day, on-site "Energy Efficiency 101" training or a NY-CHPS one-day charrette for your district.

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is a collaborative project between the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA) and the New York State Education Department (NYSED).

Complete Data

Applicants are only eligible for services when data is complete. Data is considered complete when there is continuous data with no gaps for all fuels used at the school and full building data is submitted. Data must be current within 60 days of submission. All data must be submitted and completed by June 30th to be eligible. For schools with data already submitted for NYSED's benchmarking program, that data can count toward the total required. For example, a school official who submitted 12 months of data six months ago only needs to submit an additional three months worth of data to be eligible for the Silver level, as long as that data is continuous with the original information provided.

Energy-Efficiency Consultation

Receive a one-day walk-through of your facility or facilities with a NYSED employee and contractor. Opportunities will be identified for low-cost, operational, and behavioral changes that can improve energy efficiency and indoor environmental quality, as well as areas that may warrant further study. This will be an informational consultation, not a complete energy audit.

Energy Efficiency 101 and NY-CHPS Charrette

This is a one-day, on-site training, or NY-CHPS charrette for your district evaluation. This will include a day of presentations to various groups, demonstrating how NY-CHPS strategies can be integrated into your Five-Year Capital Facilities Plan through a comprehensive maintenance plan.

Tailored presentations will be offered for:

- **Administrators and teachers** — to identify their roles in reducing energy use and becoming a green school, including ideas for curriculum enhancement.
- **Facilities staff** — to provide a three-hour course focused on whole-building integrated systems, the impact of preventive maintenance, the task of controls and sensors, and green cleaning and a hands-on walk-through of one building.
- **Buildings and Grounds Committee or individual building committee** — to initiate a process to make all buildings in the district NY-CHPS compliant through design-team planning based on a Five-Year Capital Facilities Plan, and how to present your successes to the community.
- **Health & Safety Committee** — to explain how indoor environmental quality and energy-efficiency work together.

