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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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To: Local Educational Agency Leads
Route To: Assistant Superintendents, Principals, Curriculum Supervisors, Teachers
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Action for Earth 2024 – Week 2: Food

The New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE) invites New Jersey local educational agencies (LEAs) to participate in the second weekly Action for Earth theme, "Food," in recognition of Earth Day 2024 from April 8-12.

In recognition of Earth Day 2024, the NJDOE is inviting New Jersey LEAs to participate in Action for Earth throughout the month of April. This celebration challenges New Jersey LEAs to plan and share activities related to four themed weeks that engage students to be better stewards of their bodies, their communities, and their planet as they explore climate related challenges and solutions.

Key steps/actions

LEAs can plan and participate in lessons, activities, and/or events that explore the theme of Food during April 8-12. Students and teachers are encouraged to investigate the various sources of their food at home and at school, the environmental impacts of the practices used to grow and produce food and consider how shifts in their food choices might result in better impacts for their bodies and the environment. Visit the [Climate Change Education webpage for Action for Earth](#) for more information.

Contact Information

For questions about Action for Earth, Earth Day 2024, or Climate Change Education, please contact: climateeducation@doe.nj.gov.

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