



STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

A Memo from the New Jersey Department of Education

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To: Local Educational Agency Leads
Route To: Assistant Superintendents, Principals, Teachers, Curriculum Supervisors
From: Jorden Schiff, Ed. D., Assistant Commissioner
Division of Teaching and Learning Services
Deadline: NGO EWEG Application **due January 30, 2025**

Notice of Grant Opportunity (NGO): Climate Literacy through Community Resilience (CLCR)

In the Fiscal Year (FY) 2025 State budget, Governor Phil Murphy allocated \$3.5 million dollars to support climate change education in New Jersey schools, as part of an overarching effort spearheaded by First Lady Tammy Murphy to effectively incorporate climate-change instruction into classroom instruction. The New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE) is releasing a third grant opportunity to further advance the implementation of the New Jersey Student Learning Standards (NJSLS) in support of Climate Change Education and to support the work of local educational agencies (LEAs) in expanding climate change education across New Jersey.

Climate Literacy through Community Resilience NGO

The purpose of this competitive 12-month grant opportunity is to continue to expand equitable access to high-quality, standards-based climate change education for K – 12 students, encourage the development of student-centered learning opportunities, increase engagement in location-based climate change education, and continue to expand and strengthen a network of LEAs dedicated to sharing best practices and resources for implementing climate change education across the state. LEA awardees will plan, coordinate, and execute an interdisciplinary, project-based unit plan and a corresponding student-led community resilience project focused on climate action and solutions in the students' local community to further their standards-based climate change education initiatives.

The NJDOE expects to make up to 40 awards, not to exceed \$30,500 each. The NGO is available on the [NJDOE's Grants Management webpage](#).

NGO Application Deadline Dates

The application for the *Climate Literacy through Community Resilience* NGO is available through the Electronic Web-Enabled Grant (EWEG) system via NJDOE's [Homeroom](#). Completed applications are due in the EWEG system by **4:00 p.m. on January 30, 2025**. Specific details regarding the grant opportunity and the application can be found in the EWEG system.

Technical Assistance Webinar

A webinar to support LEAs with the application process will be held virtually by NJDOE on December 12, 2024 from 10:00 am to 11:00 am. Please [register online](#) to participate in the webinar.

Contact Information

For questions regarding climate change education, including questions regarding the FY 2025 grant opportunities, please contact climateeducation@doe.nj.gov.

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