



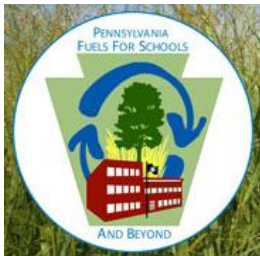
# EE Connections

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## K-12 News

### New Website Touts Fuels for Schools



Pennsylvania Fuels for Schools & Beyond unveiled a new website designed to promote the use of local wood and biomass resources to provide energy for Pennsylvania schools and businesses. The primary focus of the initiative is education, financial analysis support and technical assistance. The site is hosted by Penn State University's Institute of Energy and the Environment.

For more information: [Fuels for Schools Program](#)

### Blue Mountain School District Recognized as Energy Star Leader



The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has recognized the Blue Mountain School District in Orwigsburg, Schuylkill County, as one of 14 new Energy Star Leaders nationwide. Since 2005, the district has saved more than \$850,000 in energy costs and has improved its energy efficiency by more than 30-percent district-wide. Energy savings stemmed from improvements in energy consumption habits, such as turning off lights and computers when not in use and shutting classroom doors.

For more information: [Energy Star Nationwide Leaders PDF](#)

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## **GASP's Environmental Advocacy Competition**



The Group Against Smog & Pollution announces an annual competition in environmental advocacy for students in grades 7-12 to honor the late William W. Mullins. Prizes of \$300 will be awarded to the winners in each of the following groups: an approved high or middle school club, a single or pair of high school students, and a single or pair of middle school students. Projects should be accompanied by a poster/story board and be submitted by April 24. Applications for the competition may be obtained by calling GASP at 412-325-7382 or by emailing [lee@gasp-pgh.org](mailto:lee@gasp-pgh.org).

For more information: [GASP Advocacy Competition PDF](#)

## **PA Game Commission Offers 'Seedlings for Schools' Program**



The Pennsylvania Game Commission will be helping commonwealth school students learn about the vital role of trees in the environment through its "Seedlings for Schools" program, in which students will be able to plant a variety of tree seedlings at home, on school grounds or in their communities. The program provides two levels of involvement based on grade level; orders will be accepted until April 1.

For more information: [Seedlings for Schools Website](#)

## ***K-12 Events***

Many more events are taking place this month that may be of interest to you. Here are just a few:

[Bluebird Workshop: Make a Nestbox, Peace Valley Nature Center – Feb. 7 \(Doylestown\)](#)

[Tap the Sap, PPL Corporation – Feb. 21 \(Allentown\)](#)

[Juniors Frosty Fun Day, Regional Environmental Education Center – Feb. 28 \(Upper St. Clair\)](#)

Check out these and other events located on [PCEE's Events Calendar](#).