



AIR & WASTE MANAGEMENT
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EASTERN NEW YORK CHAPTER
MID-ATLANTIC STATES SECTION

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Dear Educator:

Since 2002, the Eastern New York Chapter of the Air and Waste Management Association (AWMA) has awarded over \$141,700 in 297 grants to motivated teachers and students in our area. In 2019, 26 qualifying projects received grants up to \$750 per school for a total of \$17,452. Additional information can be found at our web site: <http://awmanenychapter.wildapricot.org/>

As members of ENY AWMA, we would like to introduce ourselves and announce the 19th Annual Earth Day Grant program. AWMA is an international organization of environmental professionals. The main purpose of our organization is to share knowledge about the environment, pollution, and ways to eliminate or reduce pollution. **To this end, we would like to announce that the Eastern New York Chapter of AWMA is sponsoring an Earth Day Grant program in honor of Earth Day 2020.** We would like to assist you in promoting environmental awareness by supporting environmental/science based projects in your school.

If you have an environmental/science-based project or event that you would like to have funded, please complete and submit the attached Earth Day Grant Application by **Friday March 27, 2020**. Partial or full grants will be awarded for qualifying projects or events based on technical and educational merit as determined by our Education Committee when we meet the 1st week in April. We will consider funding project equipment (such as water testing kits, microscopes, and alternative energy kits), or an event (such as a special program presentation). Preference will be given to projects involving scientific studies (water quality studies, alternative energy projects, projects requiring data collection and analysis, etc.); however, all requests will be given consideration. Detailed descriptions of how and when the grant will be used, and specific educational benefits as a result of the program, are key areas in the application evaluation. As we are an organization made up entirely of volunteers, applications which minimize or eliminate costs associated with labor and administration are always welcomed. A list of the 2019 grant winners is attached, but should not be considered a list of the only types of projects which may be funded – try a new idea, think outside the box, be original!

Please refer to the attached Grant Application for the details and deadlines. All grade levels at schools with a zip code starting with “12” are eligible. We look forward to hearing from you, and hope that we can assist you in teaching our youth the role we all play in keeping our environment healthy.

Sincerely,

The 2019-2020 Eastern New York Chapter AWMA Education Committee:

Dan Lang (Chairman), NYSDOH
Rod Aldrich, Sterling Environmental Engineering
Dina Ayers, ALS Environmental
Sander Bonvell, Earth View Environmental
Robert Duff, SUNY Polytechnic Institute

Joe Farron, C.T. Male Associates
Cris Hine, Ramboll
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Tom Seguljic, HRP Associates

Eastern NY Chapter of the Air & Waste Management Assoc. 2019 Earth Day Grant Awards

School Name	Location	Project Name
Algonquin Middle School	Averill Park	Exploring Insect Ecosystems
Arlington High School	LaGrangeville	Measuring & Reducing Energy Use in Our Homes
Averill Park CSD (3 Schools)	Various	Next Gen. Science Kit (3 Elementary Schools)
Berlin Middle High School	Cherry Plains	Gardening of the Fittest
Bradt Primary School	Schenectady	Bradt "Green Team"
Coxsackie-Athens Elementary	Coxsackie	Coxsackie-Athens Aqua Lab
Jackson Heights Elementary	Glens Falls	Jackson Heights Sprouts (Tower Garden)
Lake Pleasant Central School	Speculator	Indoor Garden
Liberty High School	Liberty	Let it Rain!
Maimonides Hebrew Day School	Albany	WOW Discovery Learning Center
Maplebrook Academy High School	Amenia	Weather Station
Mooers Elementary School	Mooers	Sup-herb Classroom Garden
Niskayuna High School	Niskayuna	Incredible European Honeybee & Backyard Beekeeping
Northern Adirondack Elementary	Ellenburg Depot	Packaging Design
Oak Hill School	Scotia	The Oak Hill Community Garden
Orchard View Alternative High School	Hopewell Jct.	Testing Water Pollution in Local Water Sources
Orville A. Todd Middle School	Poughkeepsie	Biodiversity on the Hudson Valley
Orville A. Todd Middle School	Poughkeepsie	Dehydration Education
Questar III-Rensselaer Educational Center	Troy	Sustainability and "Menus for Change" in Food Service Programs
Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Middle School	Ravena	Composting & Community Garden for MS Science
Schoharie River Center at Country Classroom School	Esperance	What is in our Watershed? A day of stream exploration and monitoring
Shaker Road Elementary	Colonie	Water, Tortoise and Ducklings. OH! MY!
St. Jude the Apostle School	Wynantskill	Reducing Plastic Waste While Promoting Health
St. Mary's School	Ticonderoga	It's a "Bee-utiful" World
Thomas O'Brien Academy of Science and Technology and Woodlawn Elementary	Albany & Schenectady	Replacing Trees that have been killed by the Invasive Emerald Ash Borer (EAB)
Ticonderoga High School	Ticonderoga	Sentinel Growers

Grants were awarded to a diverse group of schools and for a wide variety of environmental projects. Representatives of Maimonides Hebrew Day School and Country Classroom School attended AWMA's November 2019 meeting and presented their projects. In addition to members seeing the benefits of the grant program, our annual meeting presents an opportunity for students to speak in a professional forum.

In 2019, generous donations were received from:

Platinum Level (\$1,000+)	Silver Level (\$200-\$999)	Bronze Level (\$50-\$199)
Foundation for Engineering Education (\$5,000) Eastern New York AWMA Chapter	Dave Roecker Stewart's Shops Holiday Match	Sander Bonvell, Bob Duff, Cris Hine, Paul Rappleyea, Andrea Simmons

As part of our fundraising efforts for the 2019 Grant Program, proceeds from the 7th Annual Peter B. Desrochers Memorial Golf Tournament in September 2019 included sponsorships from Adirondack Environmental Services; Alpha Analytical; Atlantic Testing Laboratories; Barton & Loguidice; Chemtech Consulting Group; Civil & Environmental Consultants, Inc.; Con-Test Analytical Labs; C.T. Male Associates; EDR; Environmental Risk Information Services; Eurofins Lancaster Analytical; Eurofins Test America; Geotech Environmental Equipment, Inc.; Parratt Wolff, Inc.; Ramboll; SGS; Tito's Handmade Vodka; Trinity Consultants; Young/Sommer LLC; John Carson; Bob Duff; and Mark Williams.

Air & Waste Management Association
Eastern New York Chapter
2020 Earth Day Grant Application

The Air & Waste Management Association - Eastern New York Chapter - is sponsoring multiple grants in honor of Earth Day 2020. The purpose of the grants is to promote environmental awareness through educational activities.

Applications may be submitted by e-mail to earthdaygrants@awmaneny.org or enyawmaec@gmail.com (preferred method as a green initiative) or via mail to:

AWMA 2020 Earth Day Grant Program

PO Box 1851

Latham, NY 12110

- An electronic version of this application can be obtained from our website at <http://awmanenychapter.wildapricot.org/>
- **Applications must be received by Friday March 27, 2020.**
- **Maximum award not to exceed \$750.00.**

Any questions regarding the Earth Day Grant should be directed to:

- ENY AWMA Education Committee via e-mail at enyawmaec@gmail.com, or
- Joe Farron – Phone (518) 786-7471 or via e-mail at j.farron@ctmale.com

Application conditions:

- All applications will be reviewed and the grants awarded by AWMA-ENY Chapter Education Committee. All decisions are final. Grant winners will be announced in early April 2020.
- Grant winners are required to submit a brief report to AWMA-ENY Chapter Education Committee after completion of the Earth Day project. This report is informal and has no specific format, but should include general details of the project / event with pictures where appropriate. The Education Committee would like to follow your progress and share in your accomplishments. Earth Day Grant submissions to the AWMA including photographs, exhibits, videos, etc. become the property of the AWMA and may be used to publicize the Earth Day grant program, including posting on the web, at public events, or by other means. Submissions will not be returned.
- ***Grant winners must submit a final report in order to be eligible for future grants.***
- The award must be used during the 2019 / 2020 academic school year unless the application proposes an alternative schedule.
- Grant winners may be invited to attend an AWMA meeting and present the results of their project. This is a great opportunity for students to participate in a professional forum and interact with environmental professionals. See photos of previous meetings at <http://awmanenychapter.wildapricot.org>.

