

2015-16 Green Schools Report

Santa Cruz City Schools

May 25, 2016

2015-16 Attendees

Community Experts & Parents

- Molly Behn Coastal Watershed Council
- Nick Coonrod Global Student Embassy
- Julia Davenport City of Santa Cruz and Watershed curriculum author
- Elida Erickson UCSC Sustainability Office
- Bret Jensen City of Santa Cruz Recycle!
- Jeanne LePage Ecology Action representative and traffic study coordinator
- Andy Moskowitz Seed Culture Labs
- Melissa Ott UCSC Sustainability Office
- Ana Maria Rebolo Santa Cruz County
- Roland Saher Santa Cruz Climate Change Speakers Bureau
- Mary Simmons City of Santa Cruz Recycle!
- Felicia Van Stolk Santa Cruz Museum of Natural History
- Ken Wagman Community Member
- Peter Wampler Santa Cruz Museum of Natural History
- Wyatt Wunderlich Global Student Embassy

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District Staff

- Catherine Meyer-Johnson Administrative Assistant to the Committee
- Jim Monreal Assistant Superintendent, Business Services
- Trevor Miller Director of Maintenance, Operations & Transportation

Classified and Teachers

- Branna Banks Soquel High Counselor
- Stu Branoff Bay View teacher
- Joanne Brown AFE consulting teacher and parent
- Stacey Falls Santa Cruz High teacher
- Mark Thomas Greater Santa Cruz Federation of Teachers Representative
and AFE Teacher

SCCS School Board

- Jeremy Shonick SCCS Trustee

Highlights

- Continued development of the DROPS grant rainwater catchment project at Bay View School
- Green Apple Day of Service at Bay View School
- Trips to City Resource Recovery Facility by 3rd and 5th Grade Students
- Participation in the Watershed Education Program by Fourth and Fifth Grade Students, with funding for buses from City of Santa Cruz
- Co-Hosting with Ecology Action of Bike to School Days, Fall and Spring
- Collaboration with Global Student Embassy on student sustainable garden projects at three high schools
- Selection of Climatec as Prop. 39 Clean Energy Use Project Manager; light replacement project in gyms initiated

Highlights

- Water conservation addressed through repairs of watering systems on grass fields
- Installation of an artificial turf field at Harbor High
- Renovation of athletic field at Soquel High with improved materials
- Artificial turf replacement of the athletic field at Santa Cruz High scheduled for this summer
- Grant application submitted to Monterey Bay Unified Air Pollution District to replace two older 84-passenger buses with new models with improved emissions control.

Future Opportunities

- Revive the Student Subcommittee
- Continue the partnerships with City and County of Santa Cruz, Museum of Natural History, Ecology Action, etc.
- Review the opportunity to address Climate Change and Awareness
- Maintain the flexibility of group as Superintendent Committee that welcomes new partnerships

Thank you,
Green Schools Committee