



HUNTERDON COUNTY  
EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION

# SUSTAINABILITY SERVICES

Helping schools conserve resources and save money



**NEW for  
2024-25**

## OBJECTIVE

The goal of this shared service is to help schools receive the environmental, educational, and monetary benefits of sustainability and resource conservation initiatives.

It aims to raise environmental awareness, improve building operations, educate students and staff, and ultimately achieve recognition through successful sustainability efforts. These efforts also improve the ability to control costs resulting in reduced utility budgets.

## SOLUTIONS

Small school districts often have the desire but not the resources or expertise to pursue sustainability and energy saving opportunities. HCESC Sustainability Services can bridge that gap, providing onsite logistical and technical assistance tailored to the needs of each school district, whether they are experienced in sustainability and resource conservation or just starting out. Cost will be based on scope of work and will be an hourly basis.

This shared service harnesses the educational environment to take actions that result in resource reduction and associated cost savings. Individualized assistance is available to help schools:

### 1. Get started

Get started with sustainability program planning and policy writing, organizing a Green Team, and creating understanding around food sourcing, waste generation, and energy conservation.

### 2. Save resources and go green

Build support for energy management, building operations improvement, and staff and student awareness campaigns. Step into sustainability with support for farm to school campaigns and waste audits.

### 3. Recognize success

Seek recognition for sustainability efforts with application assistance for award programs such as Sustainable Jersey for Schools as well as grant and other incentive programs.

## ASSISTANCE AT A GLANCE

### ENERGY

- LGEA energy audit action plans
- Efficiency upgrades/Direct Install
- Energy monitoring and baselining
- Behavior based energy management
- Building operations improvement

### SUSTAINABILITY

- Solar/renewable energy projects
- Electric school bus implementation
- Sustainable Jersey for Schools certification and grant applications
- Green Team establishment/support
- Food and waste management



**JODI BETTERMANN**  
Sustainability Coordinator

Providing award winning energy efficiency and sustainability leadership to help schools achieve their goals

*"With decades of experience, Jodi Bettermann is an expert in sustainability and helping save money for districts through energy enhancements, a win-win for communities."*  
-- Jason Bohm, B.A., Readington Schools