BECOME A LONG ISLAND SOUND SCHOOL

What is the Long Island Sound Schools Network?
The Long Island Sound (LIS) Schools network is a Sound-wide project coordinated by Connecticut Sea Grant and Mercy University through funding from the EPA Long Island Sound Study. Modeled on the National Oceanographic Atmospheric Association’s (NOAA) Ocean Guardian Schools and the international Blue Schools network, a LIS Schools network compels schools to make a commitment to the protection and conservation of local watersheds, Long Island Sound, and our one global ocean. A school makes this commitment by proposing and implementing a school or community-based project and creating a plan to increase ocean literacy in their school community by engaging students, families, and community members.

Objectives:

November 30th, 2023
Applications Due
December 15th, 2023
Selected Schools Notified
December 22nd, 2023
Selected Schools Return Contracts
January 4th, 2024
Kick off/Orientation meeting
January 15th-August 15th
Schools Implement Project
TBD June
Student Symposium
TBD September
Teacher Symposium

Benefits:
- $2,000 stipend per lead teacher
- Up to $5,000/school in mini-grants to implement schoolwide and community projects
- Support from a network of like-minded educators
- Connections with scientists, community organizations, and stewardship sites
- Possibility of travel funds to present at conferences

To Apply:
- Delegate two lead teachers from selected school
- Send supporting letter of acknowledgement from school principal/ science supervisor
- Propose a schoolwide/ community project by deadlines

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