

# Green Schools Catalyst Quarterly



## VISION

All schools and school districts are green, healthy, and sustainable

## MISSION

GSNN provides PreK-12 teachers, administrators, leaders, and professionals with evidence-based resources and tools to transform schools for a sustainable future

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Green Schools National Network (GSNN) collaborates with educators, government and non-governmental organizations and agencies, as well as private partners to create broad-based initiatives and successful strategies aimed at fostering healthy, sustainable K-12 schools across the United States. GSNN is devoted to accelerating student achievement through the implementation of green, healthy, and sustainable practices as outlined in our GreenPrint<sup>™</sup> for Green, Healthy, and Sustainable Schools.



More than \$145 billion is needed to maintain, operate, and renew facilities so that they provide healthy and safe 21st century learning environments. (2016 State of our Schools)

New policy mandates require schools to develop integrated and real-world curriculum and assessments to address state and national standards.

Education for sustainability provides a compelling context for learning, increases student engagement, and is a catalyst for increased student achievement.

Project-based learning, a cornerstone of green school pedagogy, has been shown to yield a number of student benefits, ranging from deeper learning of academic content to a stronger motivation to learn.

Let GSNN put together a package that will allow you to help shape the future of K-12 education.

## **GREEN SCHOOLS CATALYST QUARTERLY**

The Green Schools Catalyst Quarterly (GSCQ) is the only publication dedicated to the advancement of green, healthy, sustainable K-12 schools. GSCQ is a peer reviewed, high interest digital journal that highlights evidence-based practices for replication in green, healthy, sustainable schools. GSCQ explores issues in-depth, including qualitative and quantitative research, and includes columns that report on and explore emergent issues.

GSCQ is just one piece of GSNN's effort to gather, synthesize, generate, and report evidence-based resources that include practical tools, news, and commentary for the green, healthy, and sustainable schools community. GSNN also produces a monthly, topic driven e-newsletter, GreenNotes; publishes a weekly blog post on its website; and is active on social media (Twitter, Facebook, and LinkedIn). In 2017, GSNN launched a network of schools committed to a rigorous research, evaluation and dissemination project that will empower schools and school leaders to tell their stories of transformation.

## **GOALS OF GSCO**

- Publish high quality original content representing advancements in the knowledge base of green, healthy, sustainable schools;
- Provide a forum for critical evaluations of innovations and controversies within the green schools movement;
- Provide a forum for discussion of sustainability as the driver of innovation in education; and
- Provide information about national and international developments affecting green, healthy, sustainable schools.

## **GREEN SCHOOLS CATALYST QUARTERLY CONTENT**

Because best practices that support green, healthy, sustainable schools can transform the management, operations and instructional practices in schools and school districts, GSCQ focuses on deepening our understanding of how the triple bottom line of sustainability can be leveraged by preK-12 educators to:

- Increase Student Achievement;
- Improve Health and Well Being;
- Improve Learning for Sustainability; and
- Improve Ecological Systems

Every issue of GSCQ features articles that demonstrate the crosscutting nature of these themes and the impact they have on the physical, social, emotional, and academic performance of all who work and learn in preK-12 schools. Articles include a balance of case studies, research, and practical application from varied perspectives. GSCQ also features columns that focus on emergent topics and are written by thought leaders, teachers, school principals, district superintendents, and students.

## DISTRIBUTION

Sponsors of GSCQ increase our capacity to advance the green schools movement by widening the distribution of the journal. We currently reach more than 50,000 educators through our own distribution channels and our distribution partners. Within the next five years, we would like GSCQ to be available to all teachers and leaders working with students in all 133,000 schools in the United States.

## **EDITORIAL BOARD**

The quality of any magazine is dependent on the quality of its editorial board. The GSCQ Editorial Board is made up of individuals whose judgment is highly regarded within the green schools community. Current members of the editorial board include:

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## **GSCQ PUBLISHING SCHEDULE**

#### Winter 2021 School Safety

School safety is a hot button topic and for good reason. Every child deserves to attend a school where they feel safe, accepted, and cared for. This starts with schools and school districts that take a proactive stance when it comes to addressing student trauma and promoting positive school cultures and climates. This issue of the Green School Catalyst Quarterly explores how schools and school districts can create learning environments that nurture the socialemotional and mental health of students.

#### Summer 2021 Transformation of School Grounds

School grounds are an untapped resource at many schools and school districts. The rise of green schoolyards across the country demonstrates the potential of these spaces to support hands-on, experiential learning; access to nature; community engagement; and climate mitigation. This issue of the Green Schools Catalyst Quarterly explores how schools and school districts are turning their grounds from seas of asphalt to fields of green, all while supporting outdoor learning, enriching local ecosystems, and building stronger communities.

Submission deadline: November 1, 2020

Submission deadline: May 1, 2021

#### Spring 2021 Sustainable Schools Begin and End with Equity

Equity is the foundation for a green, healthy, and sustainable school, where ALL students feel safe and cared for and can access the supports and opportunities they need to succeed. Despite this, equity often takes a backseat to the other two legs of sustainability – environment and economy. Why is this? How can we do better? This issue of the Green Schools Catalyst Quarterly explores these questions and begins to map a path forward to help schools and school districts create more equitable learning environments.

#### Fall 2021 Design Thinking

Many schools and school districts are turning to design thinking to identify meaningful solutions to their sustainability challenges. From the facilities and administration departments to the classroom, school leaders and educators are infusing creativity and empathy into the problemsolving process. This issue of the Green Schools Catalyst Quarterly takes a look at what design thinking looks like in the classroom and how it can be used to transform schools and school systems.

Submission deadline: August 1, 2021

Submission deadline: February 1, 2021

## WHY GSCQ?



GSCQ is the resource that green schools leaders need to stay informed, grow their expertise, and be inspired to make a positive difference and ensure that everyone can work, learn, and play in a healthy, sustainable school each and every day.

#### **Common Vision**

GSCQ provides a unifying vision for sustainability as the driver of innovation in K-12 education.

#### **Shared Leadership**

GSCQ features authors from all sectors of the green schools movement: teachers, school leaders, district decision makers, state education leaders, corporate partners, communities, parents, and above all, students.

#### Impact

GSCQ is where the rubber meets the road, providing data, case studies, and research that decision makers can use to move schools, districts, states, and the entire movement to effect positive, impactful change. GSCQ highlights best practices that:

- Increase college and career readiness through the integration of sustainability as a theme that supports 21st century learning;
- Improve the health, well-being, and safety of students, teachers, and staff; and
- Reduce environmental impacts and promote sustainable practices in school buildings and grounds while saving money.

#### Leverage

GSCQ highlights trends at the local, regional, and national scale that merit replication. GSCQ collaborates with organizations around the nation to leverage existing infrastructure, policy, and networks to highlight the most strategic opportunities for sustainable change.

#### Inspiration

From seasoned veterans to beginners, GSCQ provides inspiration for every school and district to nurture increased implementation of best practices.

Green Schools Catalyst Quarterly and GreenNotes have a combined reach of nearly 60,000 decision-makers and influencers through:

#### Green Schools National Network Membership Program

• 8,740 Teachers, Principals, Superintendents, and Administrators across the US

#### • Formal Distribution Partners

- 50,000+ Teachers, Administrators, School Sustainability Officers, School Facility Officers, School Board Members, Architects, Designers, and Green Building Science Leaders
- Center for Green Schools at USGBC, Kappa Delta Pi, Green Schools Alliance, Collaborative for High Performance Schools, and the National School Boards Association

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#### **Print View Rates**

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- 1/2 Page color: \$650 per issue
- 1/4 Page color: \$400 per issue

#### **GreenNotes Blog Banner**

• Vertical (Small Skyscraper) Banner: \$600/year GreenNotes monthly Newsletter

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- Standard Banner (468x60): \$325 per

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## **MATERIALS SPECIFICATIONS**





#### Print Display

Location: Between articles

- Trim Size is 8.5" x 11"
- Bleed size: 1/8" (not available on quarter page)
- High-resolution press-ready PDFs or native files (including fonts and linked art) are required. PDFs must have fonts embedded or outlined.
- Art should be at least 300 dpi at the desired print size
- All Colors should be RGB
- Acceptable file formats:
- .eps, .pdf, .jpg, .tif
- URL link

#### App Banner Display

Location: Various views throughout the app

- 3 separate files: Small: 320w x 50h pixels Medium 728w x 90h pixels Large: 960w x 90h pixels
- static .PNG
- no transparent background
- URL link

#### Leaderboard Display

Location: Above the digital issue, within the interface

- 728w x 90h pixels
- .jpg, .gif, animated gif
- supports JavaScript ad tag (must work in iframe)
- URL link

#### GreenNotes Blog Small Skyscraper Vertical Banner

Location: Feaured in the sidebar of the blog and on blog posts

- 240w x 480h pixels
- .jpg, .gif
- URL link

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Location: Between sections in newslette

- \_468w x 60h pixels
- .jpg, .gif
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