

Re: Climate Summit - Catoctin in Green Schools presentation

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Hi Carey,

My students put together a little blurb about projects we've been working on for our green schools application:

On April 13, the Catoctin Conservation Club, along with members of the Thurmont community, planted 43 trees on our campus. Funding for the trees was provided by a grant from the Maryland Urban and Community Forest Committee. The club has previously participated in tree plantings with both Stream Link and the Chesapeake Bay Foundation. We have also removed invasive barberry from Cunningham Falls State Park with help from the Thurmont Regional Library. Club members have presented information related to sustainability at faculty meetings and future plans include improving recycling and energy use at the school. The Thurmont Regional Library, will also be hosting the 2nd Annual Human Impact Film Festival, where biology students will be presenting films related to HIPCCO topics.

I forwarded the information to the students about the summit. I know I won't be able to make it because it is my son's 1st birthday, but I'm hoping students will attend.

I probably won't have a handle on the green schools application and what our needs are until the summer. I'll reach back out around that time, I appreciate the offer of help!

Lastly, I also forwarded the sunrise petition information to my club members. Thanks!

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"To the wise, the whole earth is open, because the true country of the soul is the entire universe." -Democritus

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Hi Brian:

Congratulations on the tree planting at Catoctin. I saw Anna Twigg at a recent event and she told me that everything went well! So glad that the Thurmont Green team was able to volunteer. I'm sorry that we missed it.

Anna shared with me some photos that I plan to use in my presentation on Green Schools this Saturday at the Mobilize Frederick Climate Summit. I will be highlighting some projects/success stories of current and upcoming Green Schools and would love to include your project. If you have any particular photos or information to share from this event or others you are working on, please let me know.

Also, the summit is free and you (and your students) can register here: <https://www.mobilizefrederick.org/upcoming-events>

Please let me know how our team can help you with the Green School application process. We have been putting together a great group of folks - several of which are retired Montgomery County environmental educators who have a lot of experience with Green Schools.

I believe there is still an option for a PLC for Green Schools that some of the high school Green School teachers had suggested last summer. The idea was to provide an opportunity for teachers to discuss their Green School efforts with each other and to determine where assistance was needed. Also, Thorpewood is working on becoming a Green Center, so they should be a good resource as well.

And one last item....a link to the Sunrise student group's petition to the BOE for a climate resolution. They are hoping to connect with other students interested in climate issues: https://actionnetwork.org/petitions/frederick-needs-a-school-climate-resolution?source=direct_link&. The leader is Davin Faris and the email is: sunrisemovementfrederick@gmail.com. He will be presenting at the summit this Saturday towards the end of the day, I believe.

Many thanks,
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