U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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Applications NOW Open for Illinois Green Ribbon Schools Program

Drive a more sustainable future at your school with the **Illinois Green Ribbon Schools program**! Illinois Green Ribbon Schools recognizes schools that have active programs and actions to promote and educate students on sustainability. Working in partnership with the **Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) and Illinois Board of Higher Education (IBHE), Illinois Green Alliance** is accepting applications from schools across Illinois.

Showcase the great efforts from students, staff and parents at your school by highlighting achievements and letting your community know how much you have accomplished to green your school!

The deadline for applications is Monday, January 13 at 5:00 PM. The top scoring schools are submitted at the **U.S. Department of Education's Green Ribbon Schools program** for consideration at the national level.

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Tips for the 2020 Application

Utilize these tips for a successful Illinois Green Ribbon Schools application.

1. **Assemble your team to complete the application.** Your team may include: a facilities manager, physical education director, food services director, curriculum director, finance department representatives, teachers and students.
2. **Visit the Green Strides website** for standards, programs, and grants to help you complete the application and for tools to green your school.
3. **Read about past winning Illinois Green Ribbon Schools** for 2019, 2018, 2017, and 2016 for insight on the application process.

4. **Include 5 photos of your school in action** as a part of your application to highlight the green things your school has done.
5. **Contact Illinois Green Alliance for technical assistance** at info@ illinoisgreenalliance.org or (312) 245-8300.

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