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# Education Meet Up: Part I

Wednesday, August 22<sup>nd</sup>

8:30am-10am

# Agenda

- **Welcome and Introductions**
  - Crystal McDonald and Nate Allen, U.S. Department of Energy
- **ENERGY STAR Score Updates**
  - Katy Hatcher, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
- **Sustainability Master Planning**
  - Kathia Benitez, Northwestern University
- **Successful Student Engagement Strategies**
  - Christos Chrysiliou, Los Angeles Unified School District
- **Advanced Energy Guides**
  - Paul Torcellini, National Renewable Energy Laboratory
- **Questions & Answers**



# Welcome and Introductions

Crystal McDonald and Nate Allen

U.S. Department of Energy



# ENERGY STAR Score Updates

Katy Hatcher, ENERGY STAR National Manager  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency



# ENERGY STAR® Portfolio Manager Updates

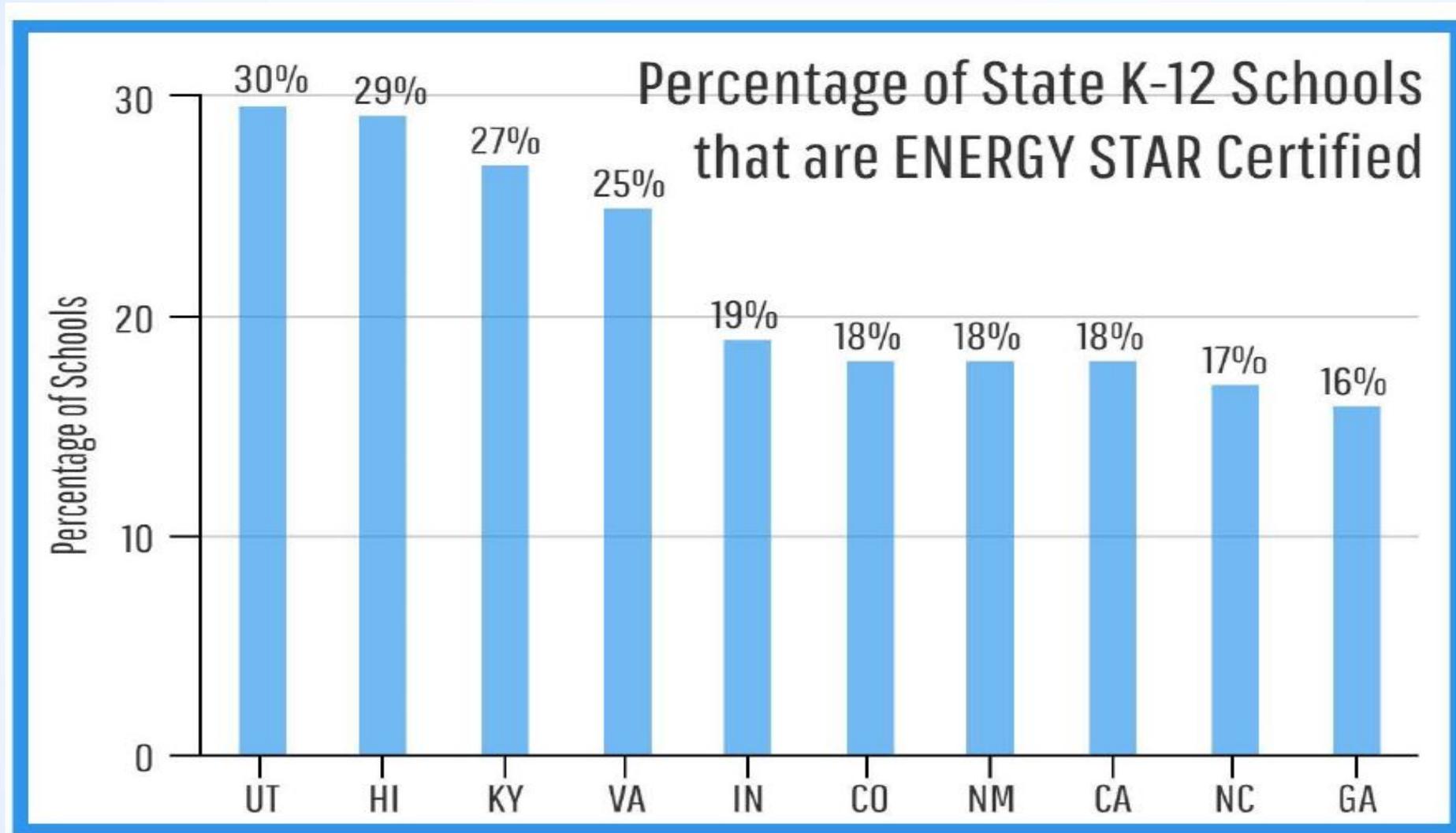
Caterina Hatcher  
US EPA ENERGY STAR

2018 Better Buildings Summit/Energy Exchange Conference



- **Hundreds of thousands of buildings benchmarking**
- **Two dozen local benchmarking policies**
- **One foreign government partnership (Canada)**

# More than 10,000 ENERGY STAR Certified Schools Across the Nation!





# ENERGY STAR® PortfolioManager®

## Management Tool



Assess whole building energy and water consumption, plus waste



Track changes in energy, water, greenhouse gas emissions, and cost over time



Track green power purchase



Create custom reports



Share/report data with others



Apply for ENERGY STAR certification



# ENERGY STAR® PortfolioManager®

Hundreds of metrics, including:



**Energy use**  
Source, site,  
weather  
normalized,  
demand



**Water use**  
Water use  
intensity,  
Water Score  
(for Multifamily)



**Waste &  
Materials**  
Waste intensity,  
diversion rate



**1-100  
ENERGY  
STAR score**

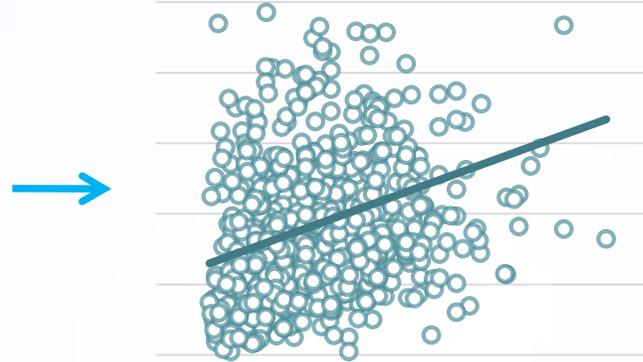


**GHG  
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Indirect,  
direct, total,  
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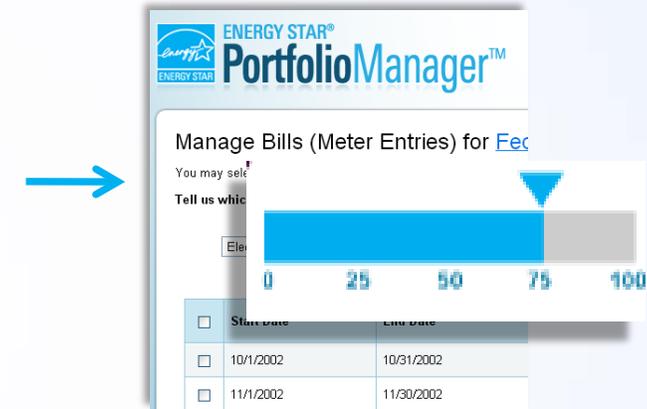
# EPA's 1 – 100 ENERGY STAR scores are based on market data



**Nationally representative survey**  
- CBECS gathers data on building characteristics and energy use from thousands of buildings across the U.S.



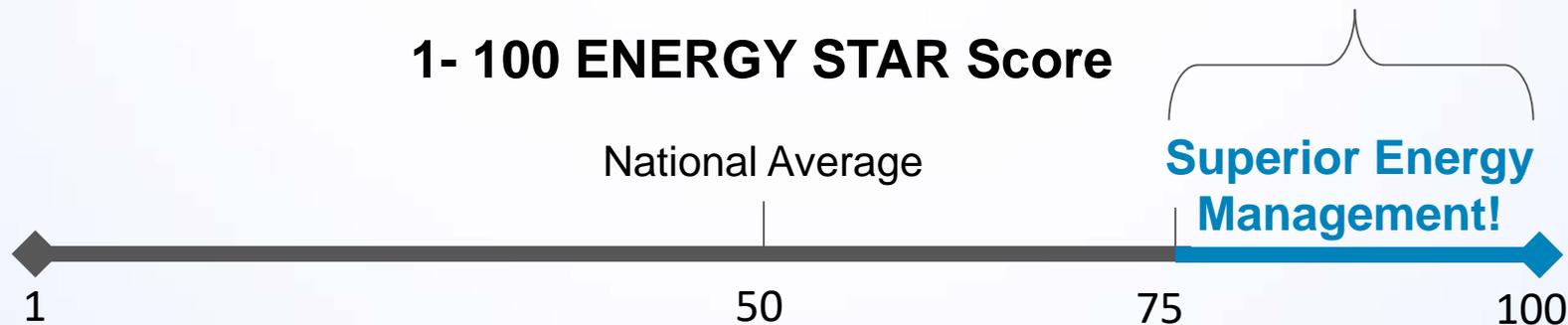
EPA creates a **statistical model** that correlates the energy data of the property use details to identify the key drivers of energy use, accounting for weather variations



**Compares the actual energy data for a building to the modeled estimate** to determine where the building ranks relative to its peers on a 1-100 scale

# ENERGY STAR certification for commercial buildings

- Building must be in the United States, US territories, or Canada (Canadian certification launched March 2018!)
- Achieve an ENERGY STAR score of 75 or higher
- Apply for ENERGY STAR recognition via Portfolio Manager
- Application must be verified by a licensed professional
- Awarded based on the calendar year of application



# Property types with 1-100 ENERGY STAR scores

Score based on CBECS data							
	<b>Bank Branch</b>	<b>Barracks*</b>	<b>Financial Offices</b>	<b>K-12 Schools</b>	<b>Supermarkets</b>	<b>Wholesale club/ Supercenters</b>	
							
	<b>Medical Offices*</b>	<b>Hotels</b>	<b>Residence Hall/Dormitory*</b>	<b>Office Buildings</b>	<b>Courthouses</b>	<b>Worship Facilities</b>	
							
	<b>Retail Stores</b>	<b>Distribution Centers</b>	<b>Warehouses</b>				
	Score based on other survey data						
		<b>Data Centers</b>	<b>Hospitals</b>	<b>Senior Care Communities</b>	<b>Wastewater Treatment Plants*</b>	<b>Multifamily Housing</b>	

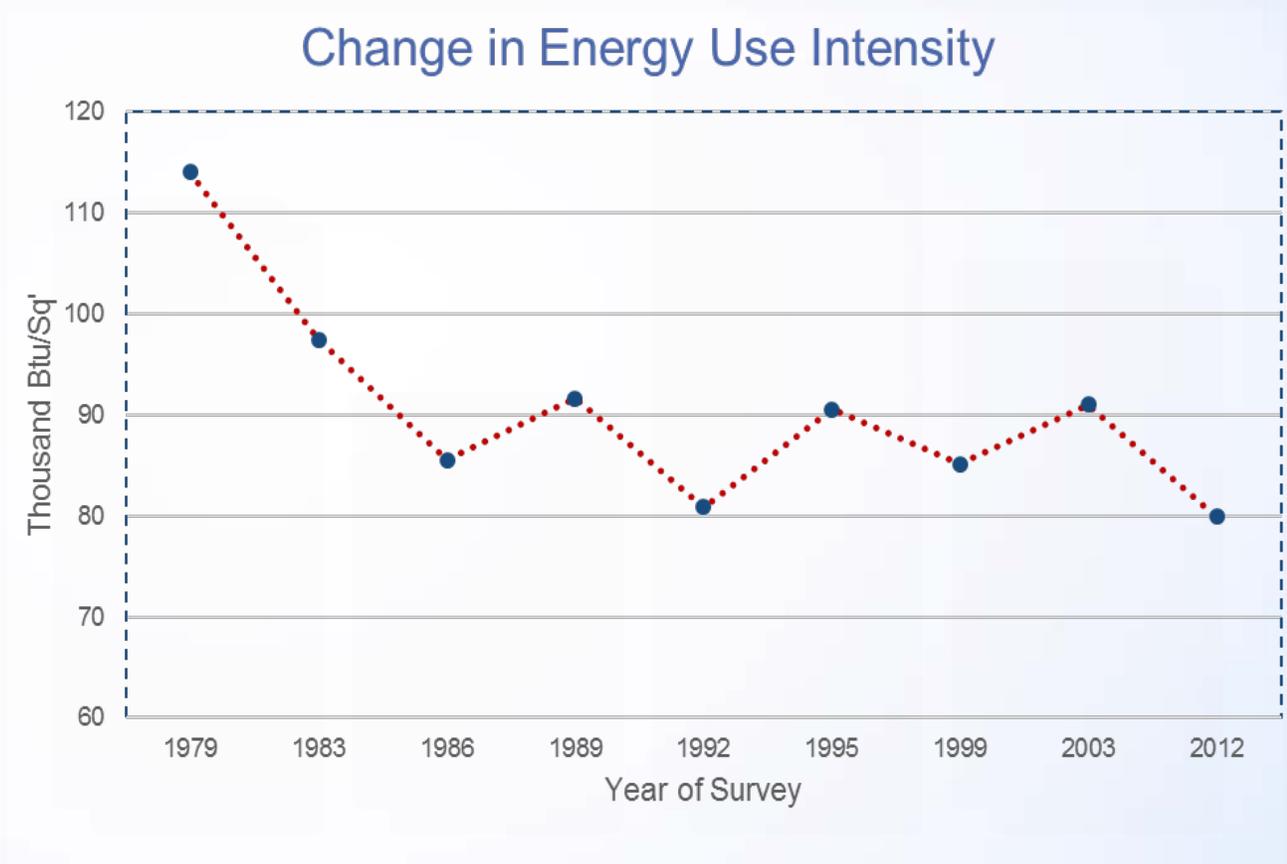
\*These building types are not eligible for ENERGY STAR certification.

# What's getting updated? Scheduled for August 26, 2018

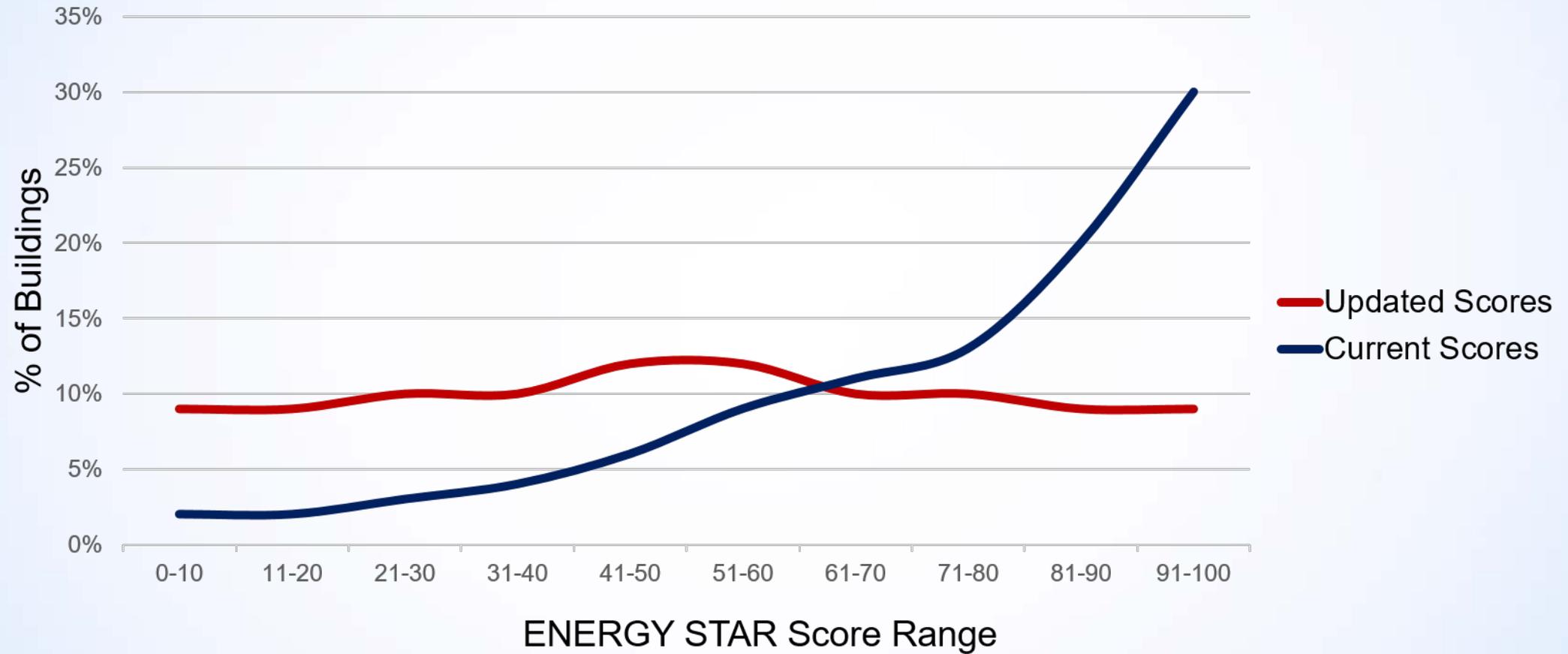
- 1-100 ENERGY STAR score models for US buildings (based on CBECS 2012)
  - **Offices**
    - Financial offices
    - Bank branches
    - Courthouses
  - **K-12 Schools**
  - **Retail**
    - Retail store
    - Warehouse club/ supercenter
  - **Supermarkets**
  - **Hotels**
  - **Warehouses**
    - Refrigerated
    - Non-refrigerated
    - Distribution centers
  - **Houses of Worship**
- National source energy factor
- Data center benchmarking options

# Overall trend in U.S. building energy use

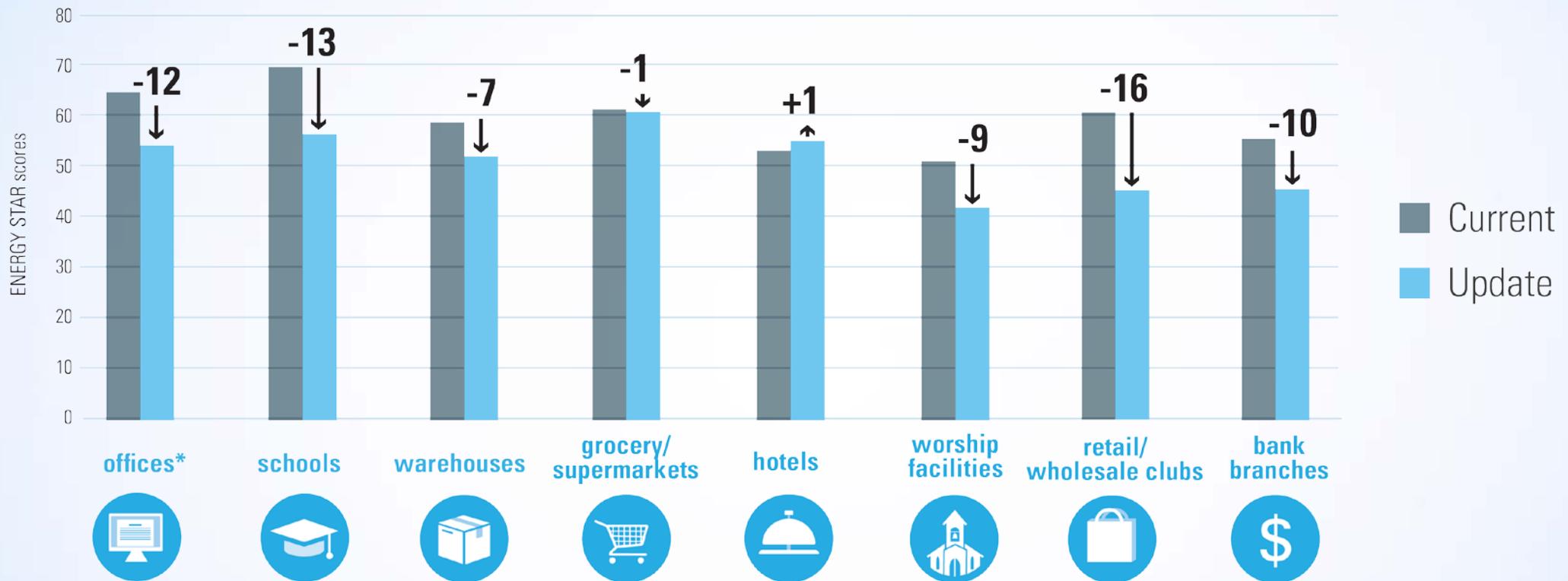
- Long-term trend has been relatively stable over the last 30 years.
- 2012 survey shows lower aggregate intensity as compared with 2003.
- This is a good trend. It also means that ENERGY STAR scores will shift.



# ENERGY STAR scores need to be recalibrated over time



# Working estimated average ENERGY STAR score change by space type



\*office, financial office, courthouse

These are average score changes for these building types. An individual building's score change is likely to differ from the average change shown above.

# Electric Source Factor: grid electricity from renewable energy

- **Past approach**

- Grid electricity generated from renewable energy treated as requiring the same raw fuel inputs as fossil fuel energy.

- **New approach**

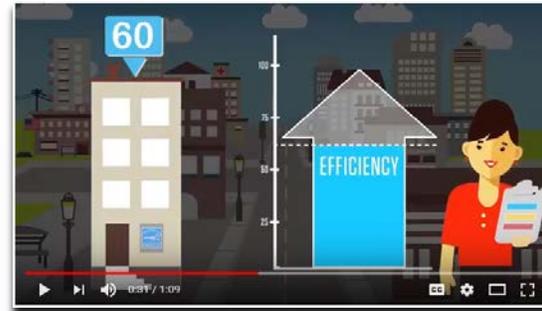
- Offsite renewables lower the national average electric source factor. Electricity generated from renewable energy sources have lower raw fuel inputs than electricity generated from fossil fuels.

- **New electric source factor releasing Aug 2018**

- Dropping from 3.1 to 2.8 (more efficient grid)
- Will impact ENERGY STAR score & all source energy metrics
- ENERGY STAR score could increase or decrease depending on a building's fuel-mix ratio
- Changes based on this update alone will be small in magnitude comparatively

# Preparing for the updates

- Communicate metric updates to colleagues, clients, stakeholders, etc. using EPA's communications toolkit:
  - ✓ Co-brandable fact sheet
  - ✓ Shareable graphic
  - ✓ Template social media content
  - ✓ Template training slides
  - ✓ Quick video tutorial about the 1-100 ENERGY STAR score



**Updated ENERGY STAR® building metrics are coming**

Do you benchmark in Portfolio Manager®? On August 26, 2018, 1-100 ENERGY STAR scores and source energy metrics are changing.

Property Type	Change
offices*	-12
schools	-13
warehouses	-7
grocery/supermarkets	-1
hotels	+1
warehouse facilities	-9
retail/wholesale stores	-16
bank branches	-10

[www.energystar.gov/scoreupdates](http://www.energystar.gov/scoreupdates)

LEARN MORE AT [energystar.gov](http://energystar.gov)

**UPDATES TO ENERGY STAR® BUILDING METRICS ARE COMING IN AUGUST 2018**

The simple choice for energy efficiency. ENERGY STAR

March 22, 2018

If you benchmark one or more properties in ENERGY STAR Portfolio Manager®, you'll likely see a change in your buildings' 1-100 ENERGY STAR scores and other source energy metrics after August 26, 2018. That's because EPA is updating performance metrics in Portfolio Manager based on the most recent market data available. This is part of EPA's standard process to keep ENERGY STAR metrics as current as possible, and reflective of current market performance.

**How will this impact my ENERGY STAR score?**

The 1-100 ENERGY STAR score compares your building's energy performance to that of similar buildings nationwide. The most recent market data available shows an overall improvement in the energy performance of the U.S. building stock in recent years. So when Portfolio Manager metrics are updated this August, ENERGY STAR scores and other performance metrics will, on average, go down.

Property Type	Average Score Change
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Figure 1. Average score changes for common property types

**What is the new available market data?**

For most types of commercial buildings, the 1-100 ENERGY STAR score is based on the Commercial Buildings Energy Consumption Survey, which is conducted every four years by the U.S. Department of Energy's Energy Information Administration. The latest CBECs data became available in 2016 and is based on the results of the 2012 survey.

**When will the changes take effect?**

The release date for all updated scores is **August 26, 2018**. Users will see the updated metrics when they login to Portfolio Manager on Monday, August 27. Reassessing the updated scores at one time will ensure that mixed-use buildings experience only one change.

**How can I learn more and prepare?**

Visit [www.energystar.gov/scoreupdates](http://www.energystar.gov/scoreupdates) for details about the updates, guidance on how to prepare for the updates, and a communication toolkit for sharing this news with your stakeholders. You can also join a webinar or view a recorded webinar at <https://esbuildings.webex.com/> to learn more.

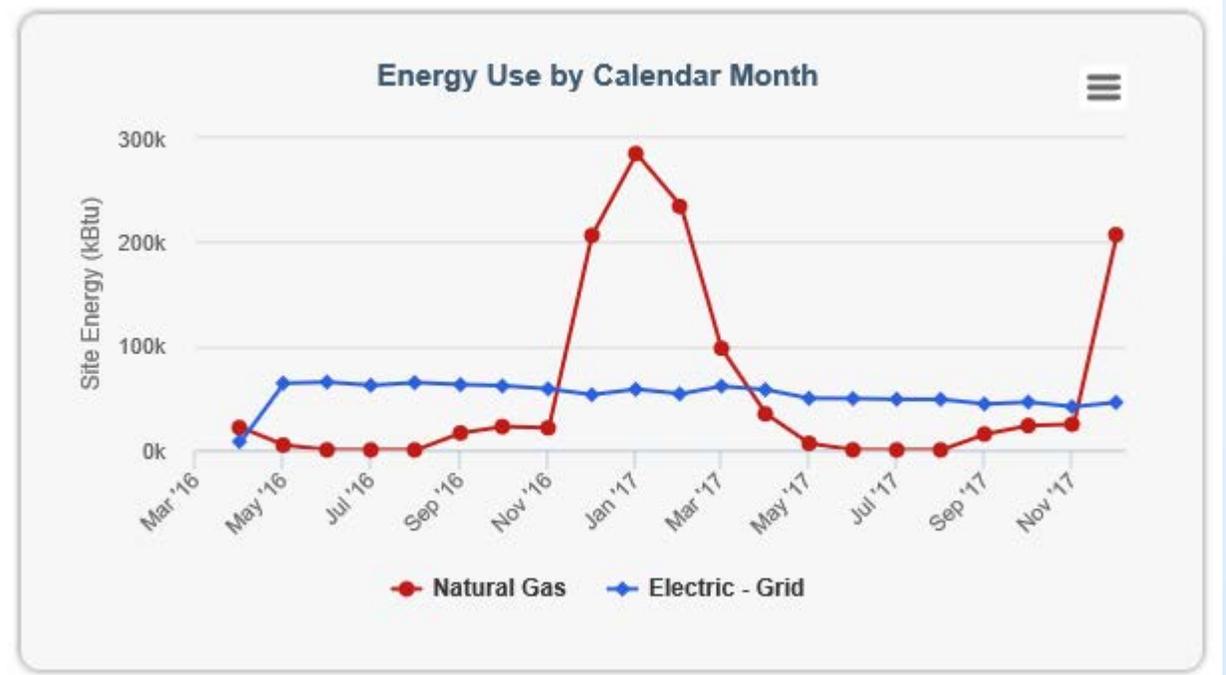
For more than 20 years, EPA's ENERGY STAR program has been America's resource for saving energy and a difference at [energystar.gov](http://energystar.gov).

To co-brand, insert logo here

Download EPA's score update materials at: [www.energystar.gov/scoreupdates](http://www.energystar.gov/scoreupdates)

# New in this Fall! Monthly Usage Totals by Fuel Type

- New monthly metrics will be available in the Reporting tab to pull aggregated monthly consumption for:
  - Electricity
  - Natural Gas
- Will be calculated similarly to the values in the monthly chart exports on the Energy tab



# Host Your Own Competition!

- Makes energy efficiency more exciting
- Provides a flexible, fun, and engaging platform to save energy and money
- Generates camaraderie, strengthens relationships, and creates networking opportunities
- Provides an opportunity for positive publicity and media exposure



Visit:

[energystar.gov/battleofthebuildings](http://energystar.gov/battleofthebuildings)

Host your own battle

# Check out the resources at [www.energystar.gov/BattleoftheBuildings](http://www.energystar.gov/BattleoftheBuildings)

Ready to host your own competition?

We have the tools you need!



Everything you need to get started:

- Template rules, timeline, communications
- Competition Guide
- Data Management Guide and Template Data Tracker
- Activity kits
- ...and more!

# Treasure Hunt – Energy Efficiency

## ENERGY STAR® Energy Efficiency Student Toolkit

### Activity 4: Conducting an Energy Efficiency Treasure Hunt at Your School

For more information, view the [ENERGY STAR Building Upgrade Manual, Chapter 10: K-12 Schools](#).

Energy Management Program				
Feature	Y	N	Room for improvement?	Location (ex. Classroom 101)
Energy management program in place				
School has an energy efficiency goal or target				
School is consistently benchmarked in EPA's Portfolio Manager				
School has a designated staff person responsible for energy management				
Communication plan in place to promote energy management program				
Summer shutdown program in place (if school unoccupied during summer)				
School has an active energy or energy efficiency club or committee				
Energy efficiency included in science curriculum				
Lighting				
Starting Question(s)	Y	N	Describe	
<i>Has your school implemented a lighting upgrade in the past 5 years?</i>				
Feature	Y	N	Room for improvement?	Location (ex. Classroom 101)
ENERGY STAR qualified lighting in place				
Lights are off in unoccupied rooms, gymnasiums, and at athletic fields				
Natural light used where possible instead of artificial lighting				
Window shades in place to regulate light and block excess heat				

# K-12 ENERGY STAR National Building Competition Winners



- 2016: Strasburg-Franklin Local Schools K-12 Building
  - 20% energy savings, \$50,800 est. savings



- 2015: School at St. George Place (Houston ISD)
  - 36.5% energy savings, \$118,500 est. savings



- 2014: Findley Elementary (Des Moines)
  - 29% energy savings, \$33,700 est. savings

# QUESTIONS?



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# Sustainability Master Planning

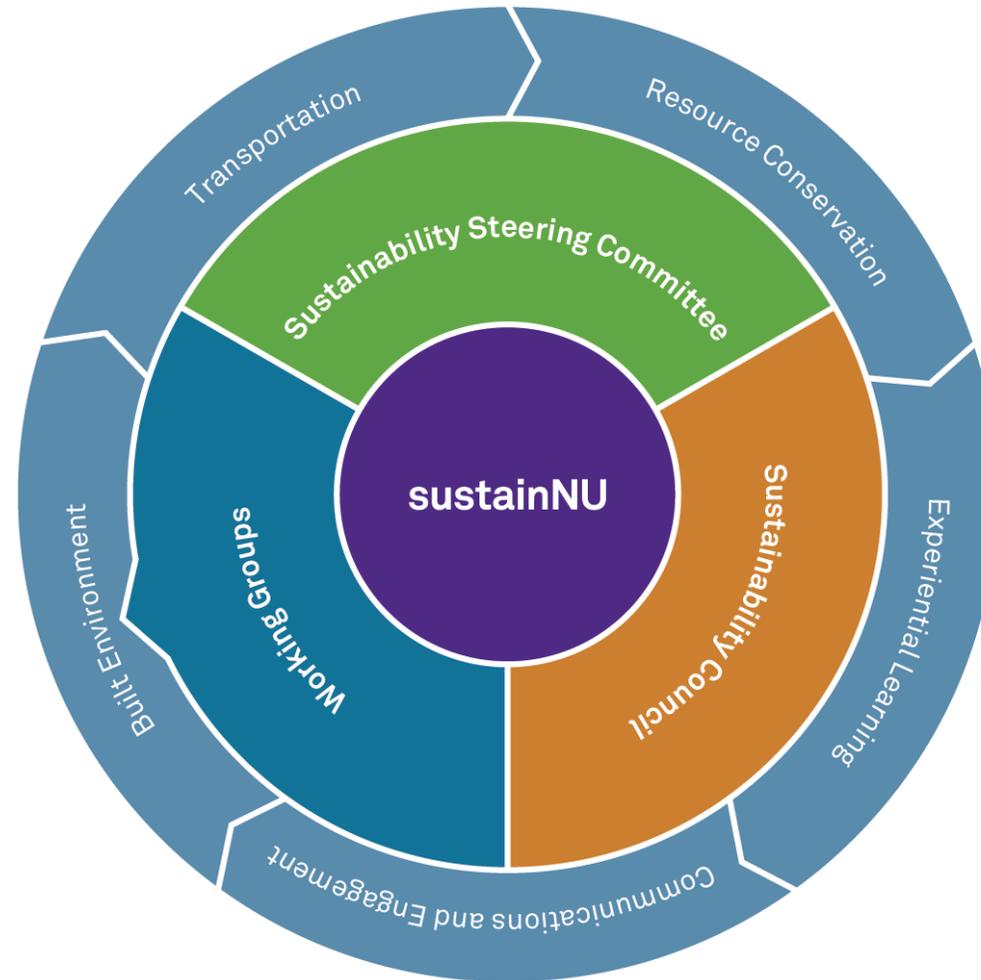
Kathia Benitez, Director of Sustainability  
Northwestern University

# Northwestern Strategic Sustainability Plan

Northwestern | sustainNU

# Program Development & Governance

- 2013: President Shapiro appoints Sustainability Council; 1st meeting of the council.
- 2013-2015: Establishment of Working Groups; Development of initial plan under former Director of Sustainability.
- 2015-2017: New VP, New Director of Sustainability; Expand staffing/expand working groups with subject matter experts / support for sustainNU and revision/refinement of strategic plan.



## Strategic Sustainability Plan: Purpose

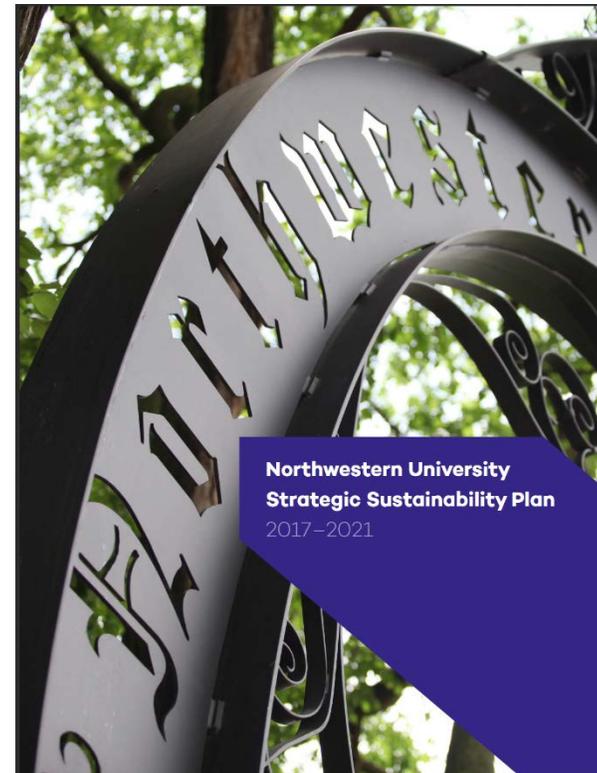
- Northwestern's Strategic Sustainability Plan supports an important objective of the University's strategic plan, NorthWestern Will: “We will contribute to the solutions for renewable energy and a sustainable environment”
- The Strategic Sustainability Plan:
  - Identifies targets for reducing University greenhouse gas emissions and waste
  - Outlines strategies for increasing efficiency in energy, water, and resource use
  - Offers measures for incorporating sustainability into University purchasing and operation practices
  - Plan has been drafted and reviewed using a collaborative process over the last five years with very broad support from students, faculty and staff
  - Measures are designed to produce net cost savings that will be reviewed with Board on an annual basis

## Strategic Sustainability Plan: Context

- Northwestern currently spends \$35M per year on electricity and natural gas procurement (\$1.11 per second)
  - This energy use is about 80% of the University's carbon footprint
  - Northwestern has reduced its energy usage per square foot by 13% since 2010
  - Energy savings fund this initiative and return operating funds to the University's bottom line
- Northwestern currently spends \$1.1M per year on waste removal
  - Waste removal is the second largest contributor to the University's carbon footprint
  - Recycling and reuse have reduced Northwestern's waste hauling costs by 8% over the past year and saved \$100,000
  - Waste savings fund this initiative and return operating funds to the University's bottom line

## Strategic Sustainability Plan: Overview

- Northwestern’s Strategic Sustainability Plan provides a comprehensive, “umbrella” program to guide all faculty, student, and staff initiatives by creating a framework targeting five key program areas:
  - Built Environment
  - Transportation
  - Resource Conservation
  - Experiential Learning
  - Communication and Engagement



# Strategic Sustainability Plan: Implementation Roadmap

- Each key program area is accompanied by goals with measurable objectives

## 1. BUILT ENVIRONMENT

NO.	OBJECTIVES	STRATEGIES / ACTIONS	TARGET
Initiative: Energy			
1.1	Establish an energy conservation policy.	Draft energy conservation policy.	2017
		Submit draft to the Policy Review Committee for review and approval.	2017
		Finalize draft, send to University Policies and Publication Review Committee for approval.	2017
		Review, update, and assess policy effectiveness.	Annually
1.2	Implement an ongoing energy management program based on ENERGY STAR® Guidelines for Energy Management.	Establish a dedicated Energy Efficiency Committee (EEC), set program objectives, and commit to continuous improvement.	2016
		Complete the Energy Management Assessment Matrix.	2016
		Audit Portfolio Manager data to identify improvement opportunities and ensure all utilities are benchmarked appropriately.	2017
		Assess kBtu/SF per building type to identify level of performance.	Monthly
		Establish action plan to improve energy efficiency throughout building portfolio.	2017
		Evaluate energy management program progress.	Annually
		Submit ENERGY STAR® Partner of the Year Award application for program recognition.	Annually
1.3	Implement an energy management information system.		2018
		Develop and issue request for proposal for energy management information system.	2017
		Execute software contract and begin implementation.	2018
		Develop a utility production and distribution submetering master plan.	2019

## Strategic Sustainability Plan: Built Environment Goals

- Improve campus energy efficiency 20% by the year 2020 from the 2010 baseline
- Improve water efficiency in existing buildings and grounds and establish a water conservation plan by 2018
- Reduce greenhouse gas emissions 30% by 2030 from the 2010 baseline and net zero emissions by 2050
- Establish a retro-commissioning program for existing buildings by 2018



Ryan West Parking Lot Bioswale Rainwater Detention



Kresge Centennial Hall Solar Array

## Strategic Sustainability Plan: Transportation Goals

- Increase campus commuter use of public transportation 5% by 2021 from the 2016 baseline
- Reduce Northwestern fleet greenhouse gas emissions 100% by 2030 from the 2017 baseline
- Increase bicycle commuting 10% by 2021 from the 2016 baseline



Divvy Bike Share Program



Facilities Management Service Electric Vehicles

## Strategic Sustainability Plan: Experiential Learning Goals

- Establish a living laboratory program by 2018
- Faculty identify existing and new courses and programs that foster student entrepreneurship and hands-on learning by 2018



House By Northwestern – Department of Energy Solar Decathlon

# Strategic Sustainability Plan: Communication and Engagement Goals

- Establish a green labs program by 2020
- Increase the visibility of campus sustainability activities among faculty, students, and staff as measured in the number of subscriptions to and open rate of Northwestern's sustainNU newsletter
- Promote Northwestern's initiatives to outside audiences via publications and peer networks



Tree Planting - Earth Month 2017



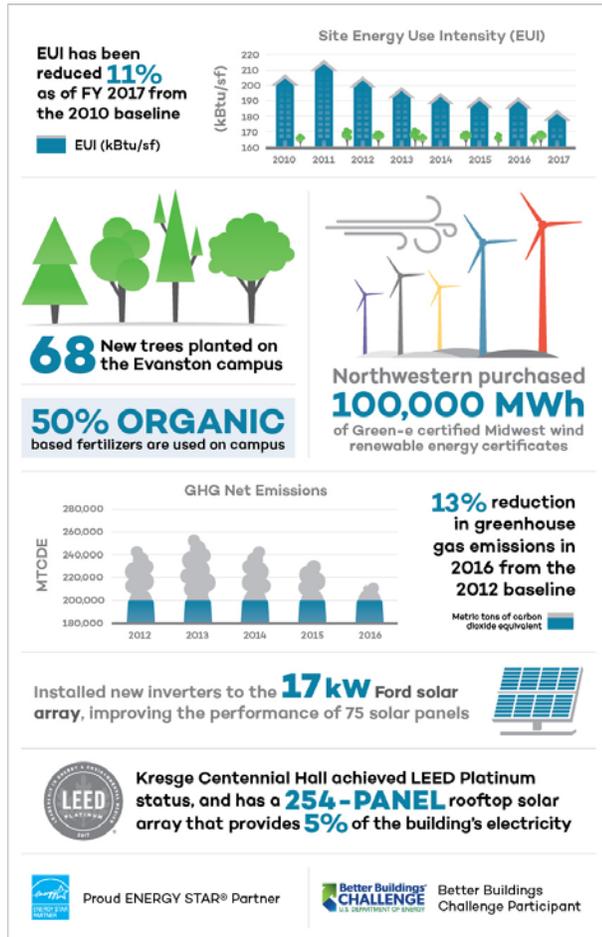
City of Evanston – Streets Alive Community Event

## **Strategic Sustainability Plan: Successes to Date**

- Northwestern received a silver rating through the Sustainability Tracking, Assessment, and Rating System (STARS), which is administered by the Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education (AASHE)
- Northwestern ranked 31<sup>st</sup> among schools for sustainability in Sierra Club's Cool Schools rankings in 2017
- Northwestern received a silver "Bike Friendly University" designation from the League of American Bicyclists in 2016
- 2018 ENERGY STAR Partner of the Year
- LEED Platinum certification for Kresge Renovation and Expansion project and LEED Platinum for Kellogg's Global Hub

# Strategic Sustainability Plan: Year in Review

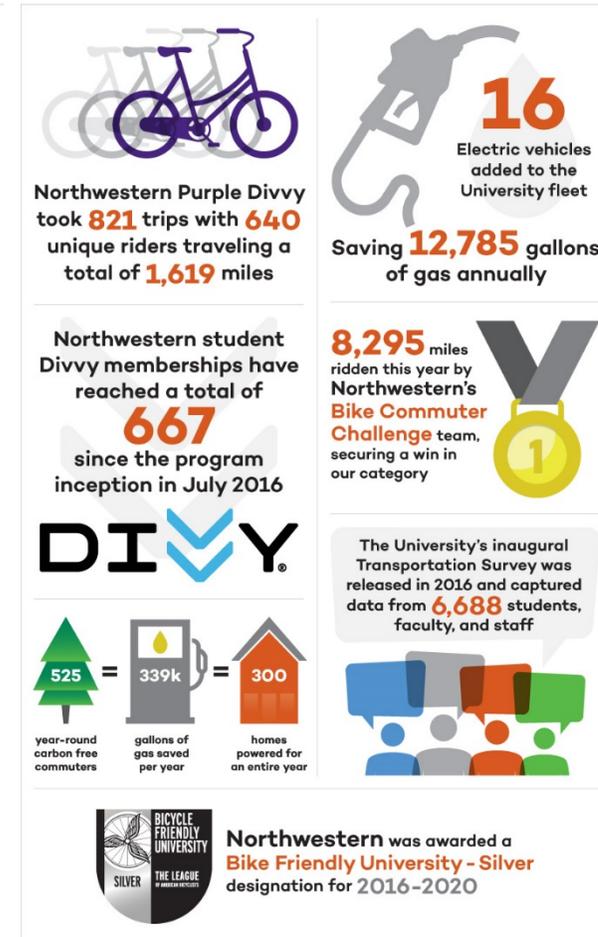
## Built Environment



## Resource Conservation



## Transportation



<https://www.northwestern.edu/sustainability/program-areas/annual-report/2016-2017.html>

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# Successful Student Engagement Strategies

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*About LAUSD*



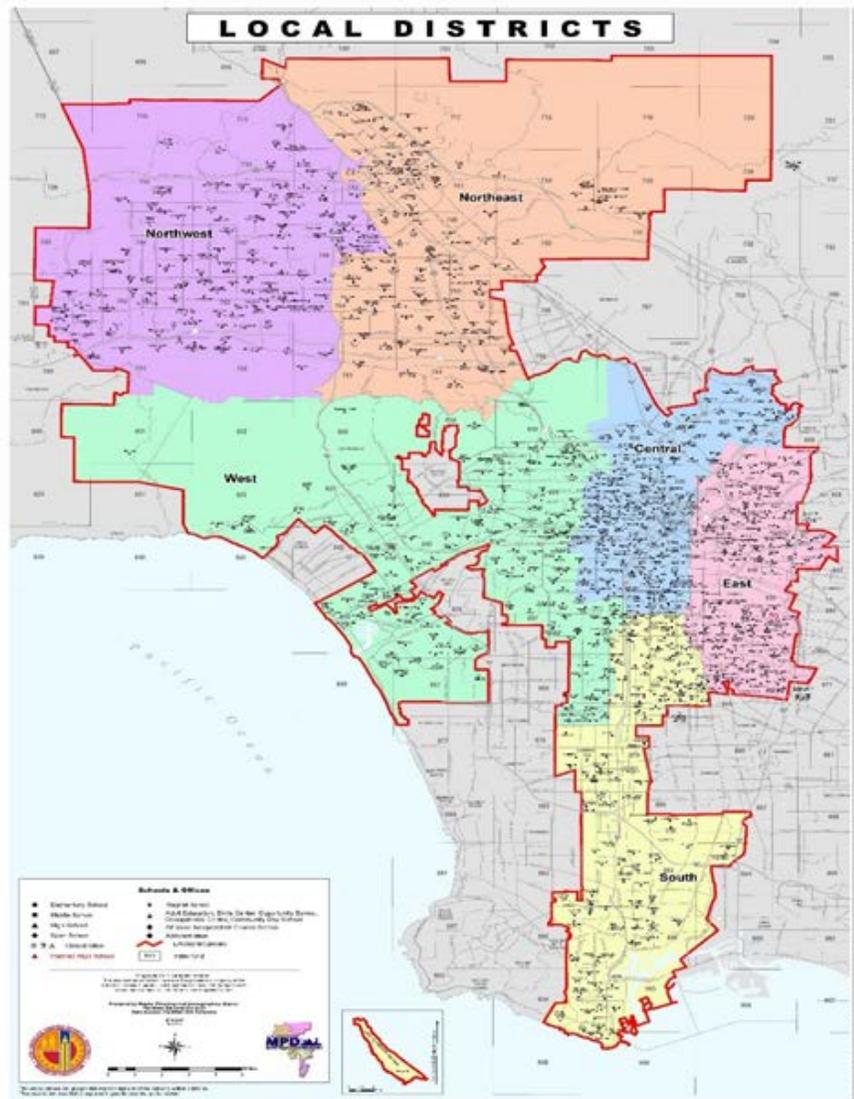
*Our Commitment*



*Engagement Programs*







**713,000** students (K-12)  
**60,000** employees  
**710** square miles of site boundaries  
**6,657** acres of land  
**13,000** buildings  
**800+** campuses

**Source:** [achieve.lausd.net](http://achieve.lausd.net) (Fingertip Facts)  
[laschools.org/new-site/fingertip-facts/](http://laschools.org/new-site/fingertip-facts/)



*About LAUSD*



*Our Commitment*



*Engagement Programs*





## Mission

LAUSD's Sustainability Initiatives mission is to **be the most sustainable school district in the nation** by developing and implementing programs that support energy efficiency, water conservation, and educational and awareness programs.

## Goals

- 20% Energy Intensity Reduction by 2024
- 20% Water Consumption Reduction by 2024
- Support High Performance Design
- Support Education and Awareness Programs
- Support Campus Ecology Programs
- Identify, Evaluate and Implement Emerging Technologies

[www.learninggreen.laschools.org](http://www.learninggreen.laschools.org)





*About LAUSD*



*Our Commitment*



*Engagement Programs*





Complementing the District's core educational mission by **identifying opportunities for education, training, and community engagement** as we implement each of our initiatives.

- Raise awareness of environmental stewardship
- Develop partnerships
- Link projects with learning & workforce development
- Encourage and celebrate school-based sustainability efforts



  
Awareness & Outreach

- Heroes for Zero
- LAUSD emPower
- Prop 39 SEAT Training
- Website/Social Media
- Save the Drop
- DROPS





# HEROES FOR ZERO

**ZNE FORMULA:**

**EE** + **RE** = **ZE**

↓

→ **EE**

**OUR FOCUS:**

- Applying EE measures and avoiding waste
- Reducing waste through energy education & awareness
- Using technology to understand the facility
- Collaboration for greater efficiency

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**EE** – SCHOOL FACILITY SYSTEMS AND CONSERVATION AWARENESS

**S**CIENCE  
**T**ECHNOLOGY  
**E**NGINEERING  
**A**RT  
**M**ATHEMATICS





# OBJECTIVE:

- Encourage schools to engage in activities that help make them “ZNE Ready”

# ELIGIBILITY:

- Open to all Student Teams at all grade levels (K-12)
- Schools can form more than one team, but will submit only one Team’s plan as their entry,

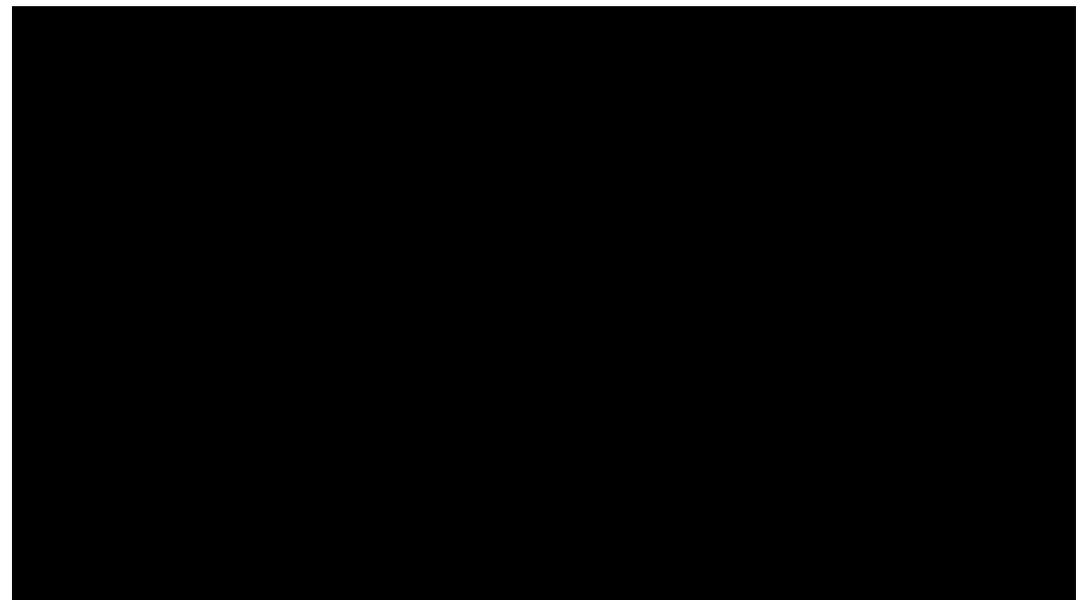




# ELEMENTS:



- H** – Demonstrate how ZNE can also lead to a healthier space or community
- E** – Tie in Curriculum Module/Awareness Program
- R** – Work with Subject Matter Partner or Community-Based Organization
- O** – Conduct a school energy audit & develop an efficiency plan
- E** – Develop & implement a strategy to reduce consumption
- S** – Mentor another school, group, or neighborhood about ZNE



Overland Elementary School  
Energy Eagles



# Engagement Programs



Overland ES Students talk about their experience.



Team Arroyo accepts their award.



HEROES and HEROINES FUND  
 Date: June 1, 2018  
 PAY TO THE ORDER OF: Holmes Middle School - Forces of Nature \$ 3,000  
 THREE THOUSAND Dollars  
 Memo: Winning ES Team - Northwest  
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**“One planet. One ecosystem. Together, we can be ‘eco-stewards,’ as we continue to be inspired by our youth’s eagerness for a brighter, more sustainable future.”**



**Christos Chrysiliou,  
LAUSD Director of Architecture  
& Engineering Services  
2018 Best of Green Schools Ambassador**

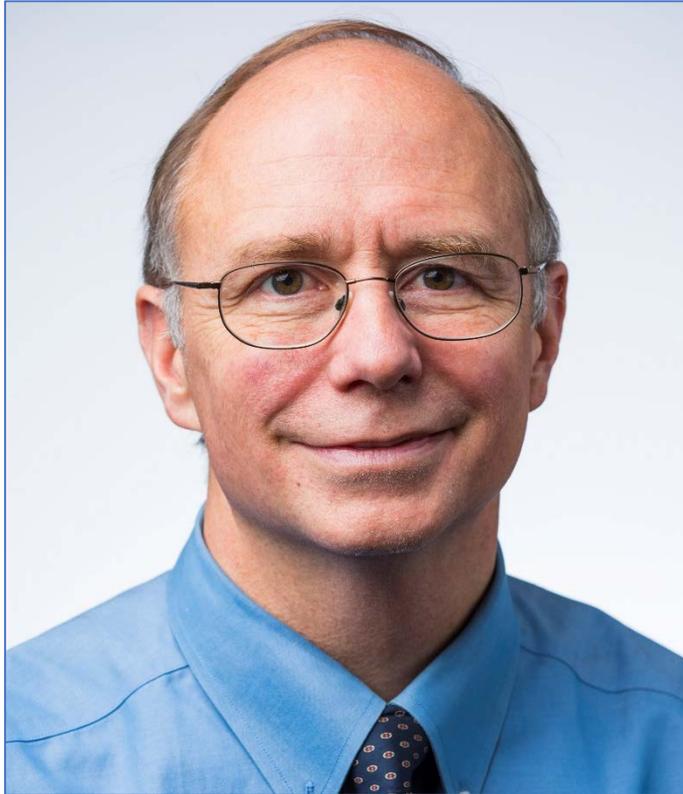




# Advanced Energy Design Guides

Paul Torcellini, Principal Engineer

National Renewable Energy Laboratory



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# Advanced Energy Design Guides Background

## Six 30% Guides published (2004-2008)

Highway Lodging, K-12 Schools, Small Hospitals and Healthcare Facilities, Small Office Buildings, Small Retail Buildings, Small Warehouses and Self Storage

## Five 50% Guides published (2009-2013)

Grocery Stores, K-12 Schools, Large Hospitals, Small to Medium Office Buildings, Medium to Big Box Retail Buildings

## One Zero Energy Guide Published (2018-current)

K-12 Schools  
Offices (in development)

As of June 24, 2018

### All versions (12 total)

606,241 downloaded

26,384 distributed in print

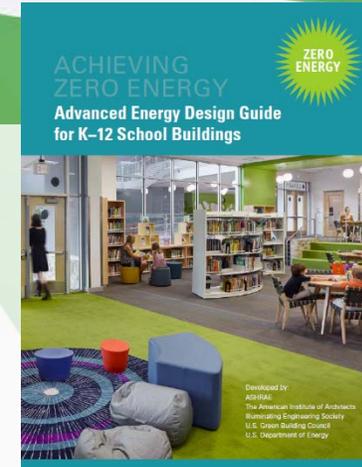
632,625 total

157,831 registrants account for free AEDG downloads

### ZE K-12

2,775 copies

(Jan 20, 2018 release)



- Industry partnership with top professional organizations and DOE, with oversight and constant validation process with industry experts
- Specialized volunteer experts on the Project Committee for each guide, representing the different professional organizations
- Supported by and leveraging DOE's national laboratory research, energy simulation, and technical analysis



# Energy Use Intensity Targets

Did exhaustive simulations to determine energy use intensity targets

- Can show that zero is possible and the types of strategies that can be used to get there

Set of design decisions that can achieve the targets

- Zero Energy Ready Buildings—buildings so efficient that on-site renewables can offset the energy needs

# Background

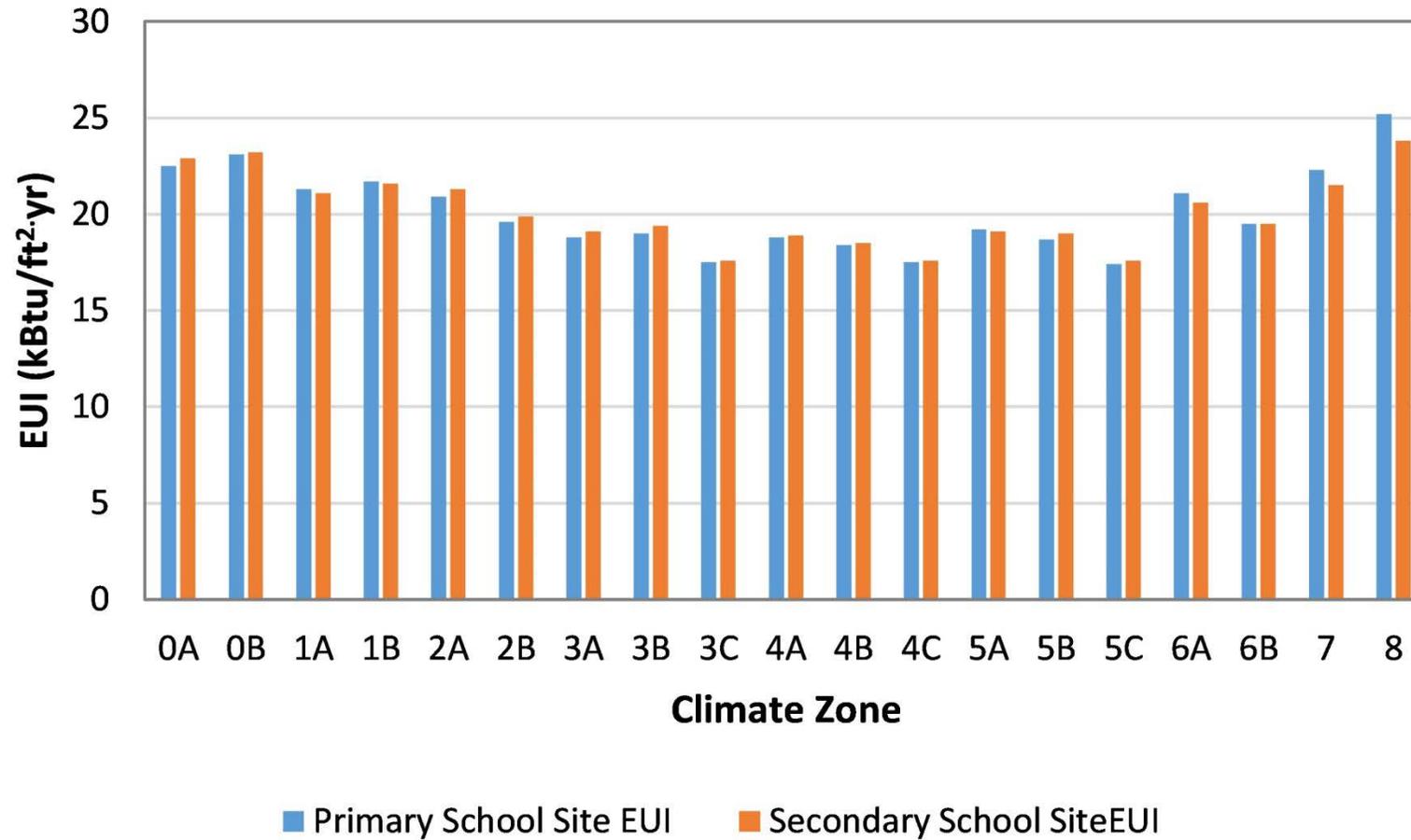
Educational guidance—not a code; not a standard; not a guideline

- Intended audience are owners, architects, and engineers looking for beyond code guidance for implementing energy efficiency strategies

Available for free as a PDF download from [www.ashrae.org/aedg](http://www.ashrae.org/aedg)

Developed by professional experts appointed by sponsoring organizations

# School ZER Simulations



# What is in the Guide?

Chapter 1 – Introduction

Chapter 2 – Rationale for Zero Energy

Chapter 3 – Keys to Success

Chapter 4 – Building Simulation

Chapter 5 – How to Strategies



Dearing Elem. School EUI=23.5



Discovery Elem. School EUI=15.8



Friends School EUI=11.7

# Chapter 5: How-to Strategies

Table showing how the strategies can be applied

Collection of small pieces of text with strategies to help move towards zero.

- Building and Site Planning
- Envelope
- Lighting (daylighting and electric lighting)
- Plug Loads and Power Distribution
- Kitchen Equipment
- Service Water Heating
- HVAC Systems
- Renewable Energy

# BOOK REVIEW: ADVANCED ENERGY DESIGN GUIDE FOR K-12 SCHOOL BUILDINGS – ACHIEVING ZERO ENERGY

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Nelson Mandela once said, "Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world." Broad access to meaningful education is at the core of that belief. As the economics of sustainable living and cleaner forms of energy become part of the mainstream focus, there is ever increasing demand for the tools, resources, and knowledge to implement fundamental change at a local level. The distribution of this knowledge is a part of the fundamental mission of the American Society of Heating, Refrigerating, and Air-Conditioning Engineers (ASHRAE). In addition to establishing code and performance standards for building system operations, ASHRAE has developed Advanced Energy Design Guides as resources for those who design and construct buildings to achieve energy savings over the baseline standards required by code.

In its latest version of the Advanced Energy Design Guide (AEDG) for K-12 School Buildings, ASHRAE collaborated with the American Institute of Architects, Illuminating Engineering Society of North America, U.S. Green Building Council, and the U.S. Department of Energy to develop a guide that provides recommendations on how to achieve zero energy in K-12 school buildings. The group of authors for this guide includes stakeholders involved in every aspect of school planning, design, and construction including school administrators, architects, and engineers, all of whom have project experience on zero energy-certified schools. Their experience and lessons learned formulate a powerful document with how-to tips, financial planning steps, curriculum integration, and case studies of successful projects.

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The AEDG immediately engages the reader by posing a question: "How do we achieve zero energy?" While seemingly a simple question, the reader begins to discern through thoughtful dialogue that there are no simple answers. The reader is guided through the zero energy process from initial philosophical or technical assumptions suggest. The reader also learns how to create a school facility that is a shared between high-performance buildings, immersive learning space typology, student engagement, and curriculum design. The guide is focused around energy conservation and production and easily support each other's missions within one of our most significant community building types.

The AEDG presents the rationale for designing schools and is inclusive of the key interests that many of the varied stakeholders represent. These interests and the zero energy design processes that respond to them are presented as a road map of steps from initial planning to project close-out and beyond. The AEDG also makes clear that once stakeholders have embraced the culture of zero energy it will begin to shape the way they plan and execute future projects. Beginning with education, the AEDG details ways in which a zero energy facility supports the learning environment. Additionally, the guide illustrates the ways in which the school building becomes a teaching tool that supports and enhances curriculum, provides a healthy indoor environment, and nurtures student and teacher performance and development. It also describes the benefits gained by reducing a building's energy footprint, including reductions in energy costs, reduced maintenance

time and costs, reduced absenteeism for students and staff, increased student and staff performance, and increased community interest and involvement. The AEDG then leads the reader through the key principles for creating and maintaining a successful project. It stresses the fundamental principles that are the foundation for effectively building a culture of zero energy, which is critical for team members to adopt and use as a lens through which all decision-making must be viewed and assessed.

Following the presentation of project goals and design drivers, the AEDG presents the technical actions for each step of the zero energy process. The reader is guided through the design and construction simulations that identify the physical and behavioral implementations and considerations for the facility. The reader is guided through the design process, and construction process. The AEDG also helps subdue any anxiety a reader might feel over cost and schedule impacts associated with zero energy design, which are often main drivers with school facility planning. The reader is reassured that zero energy is realistic within current design and construction budgets and that it represents a sound fiscal stewardship of capital improvement and ongoing operations funding. Finally, the AEDG embraces the fact that zero energy and educational environments are closely aligned and support a common goal of creating a better future for our most precious resources, our children.

water heating, HVAC systems and equipment, and renewable energy.

The AEDG is an easy to follow, clearly articulated handbook that is accessible in its language, theories, and instruction to anyone with an interest in this topic. It is evident that careful consideration was given to avoid overly technical jargon, instead offering strategies for zero energy achievement based on standard concepts of design and construction re-ordered and re-developed based on a deep level of experience by its authors. Through the use of current case studies, diagrams, details, and recent examples, the AEDG smartly describes the guiding principles of achieving a zero energy school. It focuses on a data driven approach to decision making and shows the reader how to use that data during the planning, design, and construction process. The AEDG also helps subdue any anxiety a reader might feel over cost and schedule impacts associated with zero energy design, which are often main drivers with school facility planning. The reader is reassured that zero energy is realistic within current design and construction budgets and that it represents a sound fiscal stewardship of capital improvement and ongoing operations funding. Finally, the AEDG embraces the fact that zero energy and educational environments are closely aligned and support a common goal of creating a better future for our most precious resources, our children.

The guide is available as a free download from [www.ashrae.org/freeaedg](http://www.ashrae.org/freeaedg).

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# Zero Energy Office Guide

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## Targets Small and Medium Office Buildings

### Timeline

- Project committee met in June
- Initial simulation input received
- Now - Committee working on 60% draft
- Aug 31-17, 2018
  - First peer review (60% draft)
  - Conceptual review/content
- Nov 2-19, 2018
  - Second peer review (90% draft)
  - Fact checking/concept details
- June 2019- Final publication

# Want to Get Involved?

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Feedback?

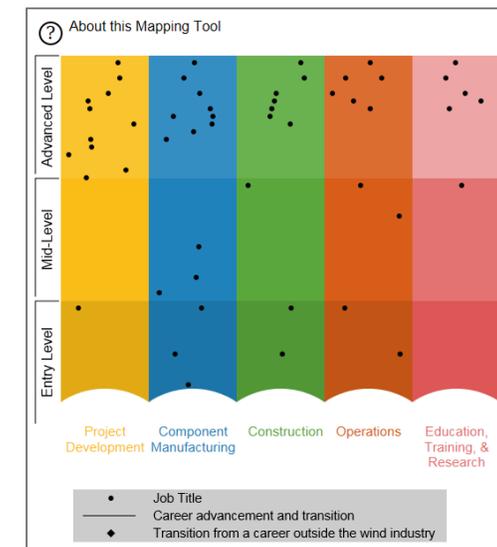
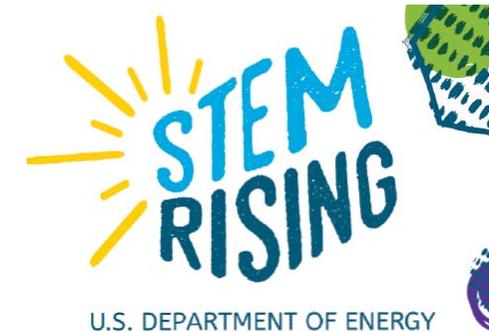
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# Other DOE Education Resources

- [STEM Rising](#), a project of the U.S. Department of Energy bringing STEM skills to the market through online learning and hands-on science (internships, contests, competitions, events)
- Career Maps for [Wind](#), [Bioenergy](#), and [Solar](#), exploring expanding universe of energy occupations, describing diverse jobs across the industry and charting possible progression between them, and identifying the high-quality training necessary to do them well.



# Education Meet Up: Part II

Wednesday, August 22<sup>nd</sup>

10:30am-12pm



# Agenda: Part II

- **Round Table Discussions**
- **Tool Presentations**
  - [DER CAM](#)
  - [PV Watts](#)
  - [Better Buildings Financing Navigator 2.0](#)
  - [HVAC Resource Map](#)
  - [Building Energy Asset Score](#)
  - [RE-OPT Tool](#)
- **Questions & Answers**