

## Florida Department of Environmental Protection



# Florida *Green School Designation*Tiered Designation Application

### **INSTRUCTIONS**

This application is a comprehensive evaluation tool that details the Program's requirements and provides Best Management Practices and Technical Assistance to help you achieve Florida *Green School* designation.

To complete the Designation Application, conduct a thorough environmental assessment of your property and implement practices in the five areas of sustainable operations:

- I. Communication and Education (Students, Parents, Employee, Public)
- II. Waste Reduction, Reuse and Recycling
- III. Water Conservation
- IV. Energy Efficiency
- V. Indoor Air Quality

You may include environmental practices your school has already implemented. To count a practice, it must be implemented at least 50 percent of the facility, or at least 50 percent of the time. For example, high efficiency lighting, i.e., CFLs, must be used in at least 50 percent of the light fixtures at your facility or green cleaners must be used at least 50 percent of the time. Documentation will be required to verify certain practices.

To receive credit for an environmental practice you have implemented, please check the "Yes" box at the end of each line. Once you have selected the applicable initiatives in that section, you will then add the points for the selected initiatives and place the total point value in the last box of the point column. If you use an environmental practice that is not listed, it can be entered as an "Innovative Best Practice" in the space provided at the end of each category.

#### All requirements must be met, and environmental practices implemented prior to submitting the application.

The application can be completed electronically. Input the required data into the fields and use the check boxes, where applicable. When completed, save a copy as a .pdf and submit it, along with the required documentation, to <a href="mailto:GreenSchool.Designation@FloridaDEP.gov">GreenSchool.Designation@FloridaDEP.gov</a>. The Florida *Green School Designation* Program will evaluate your application and documentation and notify you of your designation status.

Thank you for your interest in the Florida *Green School Designation* Program. We look forward to working with you to protect Florida's environment and conserve our natural resources for generations to come.

#### **TERMS & CONDITIONS**

The <u>Terms and Conditions</u> apply to both the Florida *Green School Designation* website and participation in the Program.

Please read carefully before proceeding with the application.