

Milltown School District

STRATEGIC ACTION PLAN UPDATE 10/17

Chairperson: Barbara Wright

Team Members: Janet Ferlazzo, Mary Sansone, Cyril Boco, Dawn Milburn, Kristen Lloyd, Doriann Kerber and Michael Szwarc

DOMAIN: LIFE LONG LEARNERS

Goal: To support environmental responsibility through the district Green Team and school green clubs.

Objective 1: Achieve Green Flag status in NJ Eco-Schools

Summary of accomplishments from through October 2017:

- Student Audits of energy use taken in the spring of 2017 are entered into the carbon footprint calculator on the NJ Eco-Schools website and entered into school tally sheets.
- Teachers discuss ways to cut energy use in school faculty meetings.
- Parkview Green Team Spring crops are used in school garden parties, where herbed and fruit dips, green veggie smoothies, and salads are served to the entire school lunch population.
- Recipes from the garden party are posted on Mrs. Wright's Joyce Kilmer website.
- Green Club members maintain garden by watering and weeding over the summer, also share in picking and eating crops.
- Joyce Kilmer Summer SACC students partner with Green Team leaders to help with school garden in the summer; planting pollinator beds, pots of mint, and various herbs.

- Eagle Scout candidate and Joyce Kilmer graduate Cristian Owens works with fellow Boy Scouts and community members to build a large, three bin composting system able to handle all of the Joyce Kilmer School green waste and compost from the cafeteria.
- Rutgers Water Resources returns to Milltown Schools to add more native plants in school rain gardens, weed, mulch, and deadhead flowers, composting plant waste.
- Lois Kraus steps up as Green Team PLC leader, assigns each member of committee to several tasks to accomplish around the school, to spread the interest in sustainability among staff and students.
- Doriann Kerber Safe Routes to School Day – October 7th.

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Goal: To offer additional sessions of professional articulation time

Objective: Establish additional sessions of professional articulation time

Summary of accomplishments through October 2017:

- Milltown Mondays on selected days will include time for professional articulation as department meetings due to split faculty meetings.
- Continue working toward finding solutions that can provide articulation time for teachers.
- Articulation meetings will convene 5 times a year at each school.
- All chairpersons will develop an agenda list and sign in sheet and pertinent information will be shared with necessary individuals.