



EPA Region 10 Healthy Schools Team

Serving Alaska, Idaho, Oregon, Washington and Tribal Nations

Funding Opportunities & Public Comment Period for Voluntary School Guidelines

Request for Applications: Regional Indoor Environments- Reducing Public Exposure to Indoor Pollutants

Deadline: April 12, 2012, 1pm PST

Amount: Approximately \$25,000 to \$150,000 per year for each region for 2 years

Summary: EPA is happy to announce the release of a Request for Applications (RFA) for projects to conduct demonstration, training, education and/or outreach activities to reduce exposure to indoor air contaminants and yield measurable environmental outcomes, primarily in homes and schools. Applications will be evaluated and selected by the EPA Regional office for the geographic area where the project is proposed to be conducted. Projects must be performed entirely within one region.

For more information, including copy of RFA, visit: <u>www.epa.gov/air/grants_funding.</u> <u>html</u> under *Office of Radiation & Indoor Air*.

Public comment: K-12 School Environmental Health Program Voluntary Guidelines for States, Tribes and Territories

Deadline for public comment: April 13, 2012

Summary: Unhealthy school environments can affect attendance, concentration and performance. EPA, with assistance from its federal partners and feedback from stakeholders, developed draft voluntary State K-12 School Environmental Health Program Guidelines. The guidelines are primarily intended to be used as a resource for the establishment of a state, tribal, or territorial K-12 school environmental health program. We encourage you to review the draft guidelines and provide comments.

To view the guidelines and post your comments, visit: EPA Healthy School Environments at <u>http://www.epa.gov/schools/ehguidelines/index.html</u>.

Request for Applications: K-12 School Environmental Health Program Voluntary Guidelines for States, Tribes and Territories

Deadline for application: April 10, 2012

Amount: Applications up to \$150,000 will be accepted

Summary: EPA is happy to announce the release of a Request for Applications (RFA) which will provide funding for implementation of the draft voluntary K-12 School Environmental Health Program Guidelines for States, Tribes and Territories. Eligibility for funding under this competitive solicitation is limited to states, tribes and territories. Total funding available is expected to be \$750,000 and applications for up to \$150,000 will be accepted.

For more information, including a copy of the RFA, visit: <u>http://www.epa.gov/schools/</u>ehguidelines/index.html.

April 24, 2012

Mark Your Calendar

National Healthy Schools Day

http://www. nationalhealthyschoolsday.org/

Ten school districts in the Pacific Northwest and Alaska recognized as Energy Star Leaders

http://yosemite.epa.gov/ opa/admpress.nsf/0/ FDC7B82BC396786B852579B100726A03

Earth Day April 22, 2012 Resources and Lesson Plans http://www.epa.gov/students/ teachers.html

May is Asthma Awareness Month

Event Management Kit Activities, Resources and Materials http://www.epa.gov/asthma/

awareness.html

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