

## **Press Release**

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## Three Harford County Public Schools Earn Maryland Green School Recognition for 2019

The Maryland Association for Environmental and Outdoor Education (MAEOE) recently announced that three Harford County public schools have achieved Green School recognition for 2019.

Magnolia Elementary School was recertified, and Fallston High School and Magnolia Middle School were named new members of the Green Schools Certified community.

The Maryland Green Schools program encourages educational opportunities for PreK-12 schools that increase awareness and understanding of environmental relationships that impact public health and the local community. The program is aligned with the Chesapeake Bay Watershed Agreement 2014 goals and supports Maryland State Department of Education graduation requirements and standards.

Over the past four years, these Harford County schools have demonstrated and documented a continuous effort to integrate sustainable environmental management practices, environmental education curriculum, professional development opportunities, and community engagement into their daily operations. This award signifies that these schools are making a commitment to developing stewards of the Earth and reducing the environmental impact of our schools.

MAEOE will celebrate with Green Schools, Green Centers, and schools that are interested in knowing more about the program at the annual Maryland Green School Youth Summit on May 30, 2019, at Sandy Point State Park in Annapolis. Awards ceremonies are held as a part of the Youth Summit, and Green School gifts, county citations, and other items will be issued at this event.

A total of 24 Harford County public schools have been certified as Green Schools over the years. To see the full list, visit <a href="https://maeoe.org/green-schools-and-green-centers/green-schools-program/current-green-schools#harford-county">https://maeoe.org/green-schools-and-green-centers/green-schools-program/current-green-schools#harford-county</a>.

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