

Mt. Harmony Elementary named a sustainable Green School

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Calvert County Public Schools is pleased to announce that Mt. Harmony Elementary School has earned the status of Maryland Sustainable Green School by the Maryland Association for Environmental and Outdoor Education for the 2018-2019 school year.

Dr. Daniel D. Curry, Superintendent, said, "Thanks to our dedicated staff and students who make this a priority, Calvert County is a healthier place to live."

After previously earning the status of Green School, Mt. Harmony was approved to be a Maryland Sustainable Green School, having demonstrated and documented a continuous effort to integrate environmental management practices, environmental education curriculum, professional development opportunities, and community engagement into their daily operations for the past fourteen years.

The Maryland Green School Program encourages educational opportunities for preK-12 schools that increase the students' awareness and understanding of environmental relationships that have an impact on public health and the local community.

The program is aligned with Chesapeake Bay Watershed Agreement 2014 goals and supports environmental literacy graduation requirements, as established by the Maryland State Department of Education.

Energy and Environmental Specialist Sheila Stevens said, "CCPS continues to maintain a 100 percent success rate, with all schools being certified as Maryland Green Schools. Of our 24 schools that are certified as Maryland Green Schools, this year MHES makes the twelfth school that has attained sustainable status.

Only 72 schools in the state of Maryland have attained the sustainable level, and I am proud that CCPS represents nearly 20% of those elite schools.

The success is owed to the dedicated administration, teaching staff, support staff, students, and community partners. Additional support is provided by the Departments of Instruction and School Facilities. This accomplishment is a testament that CCPS is moving towards a sustainable future."

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