

"The CELF program exceeded my highest expectations. You have inspired, challenged and equipped us for a tremendous year of sustainability education programs. You helped our teachers develop curriculum and lessons and gave them the knowledge and tools they need to be successful."

Dr. Steven Frantz, Former Principal, District Sustainability Coordinator
Scarsdale Public Schools

CELF provides educators with the skills they need to integrate sustainability topics into their curricula.

"I learned that Education for Sustainability is a way for our nation to re-invent and re-vitalize itself. I appreciated the organization, spirit of questioning, and positive leadership throughout the CELF Institute."

Alan Gardner, AP Biology & Chemistry Teacher
New Rochelle High School



CELF CLINTON GLOBAL INITIATIVE COMMITMENT PROJECT

CELF is a proud member of the **Clinton Global Initiative** (CGI). CELF's CGI Commitment to Action Project, "Leadership Training in Sustainability Curriculum and Assessment" is a three-year project that will create a scalable model for enhancing STEM teaching and learning while creating a citizenry better prepared to act as knowledgeable agents of change for a sustainable future.



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ENVIRONMENTAL LITERACY

Preparing K-12 students to act as knowledgeable citizens in creating a sustainable future.

CELF equips teachers, schools and students with the knowledge and skills to address the complex, interconnected social, environmental and economic issues that shape our world.



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Challenging schools and communities to connect learning with living for a sustainable future.



The **Children's Environmental Literacy Foundation (CELf)** helps students, schools, and communities connect learning with living for a sustainable future.

CELf's Education for Sustainability promotes socially just, ecologically sustainable, economically productive and culturally vibrant societies. Since 2003, CELf's Efs programs have reached over 700,000 students and 7,500 teachers and administrators. More than 2,800 schools nationwide have benefited from our Education for Sustainability programs through professional development for educators, student programming and community events.

"Attending the CELf Summer Institute had a profound impact on my teaching... These were the best continuing education credits that I have earned in my years as a classroom teacher."

Tricia Zarro, Elementary Teacher
Springhurst Elementary School



FOR TEACHERS & ADMINISTRATORS

CELf Summer Institute for Sustainability Education

Educators from around the globe participate in the CELf Summer Institute, one of the most comprehensive professional development workshops in the field. The Institute connects educating for sustainability to Common Core Learning Standards. Curriculum makeovers help educators integrate social, economic and ecological perspectives; encourage student inquiry; add relevance; and increase engagement. Teachers learn to establish local-global connections and promote positive, community-based action.

Professional Development Programs

CELf professional development programs, offered to individual schools and whole school districts, provide educators with a framework for thinking about their role in preparing students for the challenges of the 21st century. The programs are customized to the needs and interests of the school. Educators build capacity for key sustainability concepts, such as systems thinking, the commons, social justice, and the ecological footprint. Educators discover how problem-based learning allows themes to emerge naturally.

Introductory and advanced workshops facilitate integration of sustainability within existing curricula, aligned with and enhancing new learning standards.

District & School Consulting

The concepts of sustainability are universal, but every district and school is unique. CELf helps schools on the journey toward infusing sustainability into their curriculum, campus and culture. CELf provides robust and relevant resources to assist with all aspects of Sustainability Education integration and assessment.

Sustainable School Coordination Program

CELf guides LEED-certified and other schools seeking to "green" their operations, in using their school building as a teaching tool. The program identifies curricular tie-ins to the school's green facility and develops a coherent, school-wide sustainability program.

FOR STUDENTS, PARENTS & COMMUNITIES

School Eco-Footprint Program

By examining their own school facilities, students gain a new vocabulary and an awareness and understanding of the interconnections between their actions and the world around them. Students engage in systems thinking to learn how their own school's footprint can affect and be affected by their choices of consumption and conservation. The program results in a student-created action plan that identifies methods to reduce the school's footprint.

"I'm still excited by the success of the day and the steps to come. Your warmth, professionalism, collaboration with staff, and knowledge of instructional strategies created a powerful experience for our students."

Gail Boyle, Principal
Chatsworth Elementary School

Student Ambassador Program

CELf Student Ambassadors (SAMs) receive training in sustainability issues, gain hands-on experience and develop interpersonal skills while making a difference in their own community and communities around the globe. Ambassadors build relationships within their schools and with students from other high schools while representing CELf at local, regional and national conferences and expos.

Community Events

CELf educational symposia introduce communities to the principles of Sustainability Education and provide examples of how this innovative approach to teaching and learning can benefit the entire school community.

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