

New York State Green Ribbon Schools

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION



2011-2012 NEW YORK STATE GREEN RIBBON SCHOOLS APPLICATION UPDATES

2/21/12 Online Application – Q1C1 issue:

- Question - What percentage of solid waste is diverted from landfilling or incinerating due to recycling and/or composting (i.e. Recycling Rate)?

ISSUE: *ON-LINE APPLICATION ONLY ALLOWS ENTRY OF A PERCENT IN THE BOXES INSTEAD OF A NUMBER?*

SOLUTION: *PLEASE INDICATE ANSWERS TO ABOVE QUESTION IN Q1C8 BOX OF ONLINE APPLICATION – OR – SEND FAX TO 518-486-5918 WITH ANSWERS*

2/17/12 Online Application - Q2A6 issue:

- Question - Our school participated in the Asthma Friendly Schools Award program, created by the New York City Asthma Partnership (NYCAP) to encourage and recognize New York City elementary schools that create and sustain safe, supportive, and asthma-friendly environments.

ISSUE: *WHAT IF OUR SCHOOL IS NOT A NYC SCHOOL BUT PARTICIPATES IN ANOTHER PROGRAM?*

SOLUTION: *PROVIDE INFORMATION ABOUT PARTICIPATION IN ANOTHER PROGRAM IN Q2B3 BOX OF ONLINE APPLICATION*

2/17/12 Online Application - Q2A6 issue:

- Question - Our school has an asthma management program which includes policies recommended by the National Asthma Education and Prevention Program's Resolution on Asthma Management at School.

ISSUE: *ONLY ALLOWS SELECTION OF ONE OF THE FOLLOWING INSTEAD OF ABILITY TO CHECK ALL THREE:*

Please indicate which policies your school follows:

- Our school asthma management program includes a written policy that allows safe, reliable and immediate access to medications, and allows students to carry and self administer quick-relief medication.
- Our school asthma management program includes a school-wide emergency management plan for handling asthma episodes.
- Our school asthma management program provides professional development for all school personnel on school medication policies, emergency procedures, and procedures for communicating health concerns about students.

SOLUTION: *PLEASE INDICATE ANSWERS TO ABOVE QUESTION IN Q2B3 BOX OF ONLINE APPLICATION – OR – SEND FAX TO 518-486-5918 WITH ANSWERS*

2/17/12 Online Application - Q2A6 issue:

- Question - Our school supports students with asthma to keep their asthma under control and keep the students fully active by following the National Asthma Education and Prevention Program Asthma Friendly Schools Checklist.

ISSUE: ONLY ALLOWS SELECTION OF ONE OF THE FOLLOWING INSTEAD OF ABILITY TO CHECK ALL SEVEN:

Please indicate which policies your school follows:

- Students may carry and use their own asthma medicines or have quick and easy access to their medicines.
- Our school has a written emergency management plan for teachers and staff to follow to take care of a student who has an asthma attack.
- All students with asthma have updated asthma plans on file at the school.
- Our school nurse is in our school building during all school hours or is regularly available to write plans and give guidance on asthma.
- Our school nurse or other asthma education expert teaches school staff about asthma, asthma action plans, and asthma medicines.
- Students with asthma can fully and safely join in physical education, sports, recess, and field trips.
- Our school has good indoor air quality which reduces student's contact with allergens or irritants that can make asthma worse.

SOLUTION: PLEASE INDICATE ANSWERS TO ABOVE QUESTION IN Q2B3 BOX OF ONLINE APPLICATION – OR – SEND FAX TO 518-486-5918 WITH ANSWERS