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# 2011 WINNERS

NYC schools compete for most exemplary applied learning sustainability project within their borough and grade division. To receive an award, project entries were assessed by a panel of judges and had to exceed minimum score requirements; some categories did not produce a winner.

|  | Division   | Borough  | Award                     | Prize   | School   |
|--|------------|----------|---------------------------|---------|--|
|  | Elementary | Brooklyn | Citywide & Borough Winner | \$6,000 | PS/IS 192<br>Magnet School for Math &<br>Science Inquiry     |
|  | Elementary | Brooklyn | Borough Runner-Up         | \$1,500 | PS 124 Silas B Dutcher                                       |
|  | Elementary | Queens   | Borough Winner            | \$3,000 | PS 76Q William Hallet<br>Magnet School for Health & Wellness |

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|  | Elementary   | Manhattan | Citywide & Borough Winner<br>Manhattan Golden Shovel | \$7,000 | PS 89 Liberty School   |
|  | Elementary   | Queens    | Queens Golden Shovel                                 | \$1,000 | P993Q @ 208  |
|  | Intermediate | Brooklyn  | Citywide & Borough Winner<br>Brooklyn Golden Shovel  | \$7,000 | John Ericsson MS 126<br>Magnet School for Environmental<br>Engineering |

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|  | Elementary   | Staten Island | Citywide & Borough Winner<br>NYRP Rose Award | \$6,000 | PS 57 Hubert J Humphrey  |
|  | Intermediate | Manhattan     | Citywide & Borough Winner                    | \$6,000 | IS 52 Inwood – SEAS<br>(School of Environmental and Applied<br>Sciences) |

NYC Compost Project "Golden Shovel Awards" for Master School Composter

New York Restoration Project "Rose Award"



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## **SUPER RECYCLERS**

**honors schools with outstanding recycling programs  
with school-wide involvement and support.**

### **Citywide & Brooklyn Borough Winner (\$6,000), Elementary Division**

#### **PS 192 MAGNET SCHOOL FOR MATH AND SCIENCE INQUIRY**

**Clean & Green Is Our Scene.** This school promoted recycling and waste awareness by recycling properly in classrooms, offices, cafeterias, and common areas. They worked with the other school in the building, established Recycling Squads who monitored classrooms and issued recycling report cards and tickets, and increased awareness through a school-wide “Go Green” incentive campaign with cash prizes, assemblies, and “Junk-to-Funk” fashion show. [Click here for pages from the winning entry.](#)

### **Brooklyn Borough Runner-Up (\$1,500), Elementary Division**

#### **PS 124K SILAS B. DUTCHER**

**The Green Team.** This school created a Green Team comprised of 3rd grade students on a mission to keep the school beautiful by reducing, reusing, and recycling. They spearheaded and reinforced recycling efforts schoolwide. [Click here for pages from the winning entry.](#)

### **Queens Borough Winner (\$3,000), Elementary Division:**

#### **PS 76Q WILLIAM HALLET**

**PS 76Q On to a Good Start.** The teachers and students came together to start a recycling program: teachers used DSNY resources in the classrooms; art projects from recycled items displayed throughout the hallways; info provided during faculty meetings; kick off with school assemblies; student “recycling officers” check for proper paper recycling and collect deposit bottles; progress publicly reported in school newspaper; principal met with recycling team every two months, and established rewards program for classes. [Click here for pages from the winning entry.](#)



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**honors schools with the most innovative waste prevention practices.**

**Citywide & Manhattan Borough Winner and Golden Shovel Award (\$7,000), Elementary Division**

**PS 89 LIBERTY SCHOOL**

**Styrofoam KO'd; Composting OK'd @ 89.** Spearheaded by the PTA, the PS89 Green Team has successfully eradicated Styrofoam trays from the school cafeteria for this school and IS 289, which shares the building, by replacing the Styrofoam trays with sugarcane pulp trays. The Green Team then embarked on an innovative pilot partnership with Holton Farms, a local CSA, to compost the trays. Also chosen by the NYC Compost Project in Manhattan at the Lower East Side Ecology Center as Master School Composter for educating students about composting. [Click here for pages from the winning entry.](#)

**Queens Golden Shovel Award (\$1,000), Elementary Division**

**P 993 @ 208Q**

**The 3 Rs—Learning about Reducing, Reusing and Recycling.** These students with special needs worked hard on about 15 waste prevention and reuse projects using a hands-on, visual format that all could understand and share with others. The school was chosen by the NYC Compost Project in Queens at the Queens Botanical Garden as Master School Composter for their step-by-step approach to composting in the classroom with a worm bin. [Click here for pages from the winning entry.](#)

**Citywide & Brooklyn Borough Winner and Brooklyn Golden Shovel Award (\$7,000), Intermediate Division**

**JOHN ERICSSON MS 126 MAGNET SCHOOL FOR ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING**

**MS 126 Recycling Campaign.** Students in two 6th grade classes helped recycle trays, bottles, and cans in the cafeteria; created slogans, plays, announcements, and recycling competitions to engage student body; raised money for a trip where they recycled old jeans to make bags; brought in old garments and changed them into new artistic pieces; and displayed their creations at the Greenpoint Earth Day Festival. Also chosen by the NYC Compost Project in Brooklyn at Brooklyn Botanic Garden as Master School Composter, for collecting food scraps to feed their classroom worm bin, and using the worm castings in planters they made from old plastic bottles. [Click here for pages from the winning entry.](#)



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and beautification projects.**

**Citywide & Staten Island Borough Winner and NY Restoration Project Rose Award  
(\$6,000), Elementary Division**

**PS 57 HUBERT H. HUMPHREY**

**PS 57 R Going Green Projects.** For the past 15 years, this school's Title I students have been working on student recycling, reducing, reusing, and beautification (garden/park/watershed) projects. Each year these projects have grown with a new twist. Even some partner schools have joined in on the learning fun. The science teacher relates this exploration to a scientific theme, but found the most impressive projects were student-created and student-led. The next project is to build an actual greenhouse from 1,500 recycled two-liter bottles. [Click here for pages from the winning entry.](#)

**Citywide & Manhattan Borough Winner (\$6,000), Intermediate Division**

**IS 52 INWOOD—SEAS (SCHOOL OF ENVIRONMENTAL AND APPLIED SCIENCES)**

**Street Tree Protection and Beautification.** In small groups, students adopted some of the 300 street trees that they helped plant on Earth Day 2010 through the STEMester of Service project grant with MillionTreesNY and NY Restoration Project. This year they learned how to care for trees through the Young Urban Forester Program at TreesNY; and how to build tree guards, through Brooklyn Shade. They designed signs to educate the public, cleaned the tree pits, amended the soil with compost, and planted annuals at the base. They will also build wooden fences to protect the trees and provide a place to hang their signs. [Click here for pages from the winning entry.](#)