

## DEP Education Resources

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New York City Department of Environmental Protection's (DEP) Education Office provides pre-Kindergarten–12<sup>th</sup> grade students, teachers, and families with a wide range of free programs and resources about New York City's drinking water supply, wastewater treatment system, harbor water quality, sound and noise quality, climate change, and stewardship opportunities. To receive more information or to join our email list, please contact [educationoffice@dep.nyc.gov](mailto:educationoffice@dep.nyc.gov).

Visit [DEP's website](#) to learn more about our education programs, including the Water Resources Art and Poetry Contest, field trips to the Visitor Center at Newtown Creek, classroom presentations, Trout in the Classroom, City that Drinks the Mountain Sky theater performances, and available print materials.

### Online Education Resources:

#### **New York City's Water Story: From Mountain Top to Tap**

New York City's Water Story: From Mountain Top to Tap map helps students explore the New York City Water Supply System, discover how the water cycle affects their everyday lives, and understand the significant physical and historical connections between New York City and our upstate watershed neighbors. [Download a student version of the map and a teacher's guide with accompanying slides.](#)

#### **Climate Change Education Module**

Introduce your students to climate science in New York City and the many opportunities for taking action. These interactive, place-based lessons and activities cover a range of climate topics with a focus on scientific research, local climate policy, and environmental stewardship. [Explore Climate Change in New York City.](#)

#### **The New York City Sewer System Module**

Introduce your students to the sewer system that carries our waste and investigate what we can do to help protect it. Learn about ongoing citywide campaigns to *Trash It. Don't Flush It.*, and reduce fatbergs from developing in the sewers. [Explore the New York City Sewer System.](#)

#### **Green Infrastructure Education Module**

Introduce your students to the innovative world of science, technology, engineering and math that surrounds them in New York City. Learn about the many green infrastructure techniques designed and constructed to manage stormwater runoff, and how we can get involved as environmental stewards. [Explore Green Infrastructure in New York City.](#)

#### **Sound and Noise Education Module**

Introduce your students to New York City's Noise Code, and the public health issues, both mental and physical, associated with noise. Noise issues are extremely relevant in the school environment and in everyday city life. Encourage students to participate in citizen science projects by collecting and analyzing data in their own neighborhoods. [Explore Sound and Noise in New York City.](#)