

Rubric for Assessing Gold Globe Level Applications

<p>Gold Globe Award: Site team established (6 meetings/year, minutes with school communication plan), at least two educators have completed environmental education professional development, all students are engaged in integrated environmental education and work to complete four investigations and develop and implement an action plan with timeframe for two or more environmental improvement area as identified by these investigations. The school green team documents progress and outcomes, celebrates accomplishments and shares with school community. The school has developed and adopted a Kansas Green School pledge.</p>						
Criteria	1	2	3	4	5	Total Points
KGS Green Team	One Teacher/Few Students		Two or more teachers, some student diversity, one or more of the following: non-teaching staff, community member		Multiple Teachers/Students from different grades, and some representation from the following: administration, non-teaching staff, community members, parents or grandparents, environmental professionals	
Professional Development	No educators attended an environmental education professional development experience.		One educator attended an environmental education professional development experience.		Two or more educators have attended an environmental education professional development experience.	
Number of meetings	2 meetings/yr	3	4 meetings/yr	6	More than 6 meetings/yr	
Meeting Minutes	None		Some minutes		Detailed minutes for each meeting	
Group Communicates Discussions and Actions to School and Community	Very little evidence of communication		Some evidence of communication to some audiences		Strong communication to students, parents, and community with opportunities for input	
Investigations	Did an informal assessment		Completed three of the KGS Investigations		Completed five of the KGS Investigations	
Action Plan						
Results are Used to Create Action Plan	Informal assessment results are used to create action plans.		Some data is used to complete a plan that addresses areas for improvement for one of the investigations.		Strong data is used to develop a comprehensive action plan for two or more of the different investigations that addresses areas for improvement.	
Action Plan Shared with Whole School Community	Action Plan shared through a single communication strategy.		Action Plan shared in two communication activities.		Action Plan is creatively shared with the entire school community using two or more communication activities (newsletter, whole school program or assembly, posters/signs, family nights, etc).	

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Some Level of Action Is Taken	No evidence of action taken to address issues identified in action plan and no rationale provided for deferred activities.		Some evidence of action taken to address issues identified in action plan with ongoing monitoring. Rationale provided for deferred activities.		Strong evidence of action taken to address issues identified in action plan with ongoing monitoring and evaluation noting progress toward achieving action items. Rationale provided for deferred activities (archived for Green Globe Award application).	
Greening the Curriculum	Students have few opportunities to engage in environmental education at the school site or the local community.		Students at some grade levels and across some disciplines have opportunities to engage in environmental education at the school site or the local community.		Students at all grade levels and across disciplines have opportunities to engage in environmental education at the school site or the local community.	
Celebrating and Sharing	The school shares and/or celebrates some of their green school accomplishments with students and parents.		The school makes some effort to share and celebrate its KGS activities with students, parents and the community.		The school actively shares and celebrates its KGS activities with students, parents and the community through newsletters, press releases, interviews, events, fliers, school-wide celebrations etc. School notifies its representatives about its achievements.	
KGS Pledge	School does not develop a pledge		The KGS Team develops a pledge not yet adopted by the whole school.		The KGS Green Team with input from the school develops a pledge and is adopted by the whole school and is displayed for the student body to see.	