

Hello California K-12 teachers! Through an EPA Region 09 Environmental Literacy Grant, teachers now have access to leading-edge, student-driven sustainability resources at no cost to you or your school district. EcoRise teachers in the Sustainable Intelligence Program have access to:

K-12 SUSTAINABILITY AND DESIGN CURRICULUM

Our bilingual, STEM-based Sustainable Intelligence (SI) Curriculum introduces students to challenges and opportunities surrounding seven distinct eco-themes and engages youth in developing real-world solutions in their communities through project-based activities, design labs, and campus Eco-Audits. EcoRise teachers also receive access to our Design Studio Curriculum which guides students through a creative problem-solving process as they invent innovative solutions to a specific sustainability challenge.

ECO-AUDIT GRANT PROGRAM

Students who complete one or more Eco-Audits from the SI curriculum are eligible to apply for up to \$500 per project to support green campus projects and initiatives that tackle sustainability challenges identified during the Eco-Audit. On average, an EcoRise teacher's students receive a total of \$860 in grant funds per year. View an exemplar Eco-Audit Grant video application at https://youtu.be/9bj2s6M633Y.

TEACHER TRAINING & SUPPORT

EcoRise provides year-round face-to-face and virtual training for teachers, which introduces the curriculum, the Eco Audit Grant process, and instructional best practices rooted in STEM, design thinking, and problem-based learning. Additionally, teachers receive access to an online platform that provides self-paced training resources as needed, including short videos, teacher and student rubrics, implementation calendars, a project library, the Eco-Audit Grant application and project exemplars, and a global teacher support network.

"EcoRise has been a saving grace for me as a teacher. My students are thankful for it and they've increased their level of engagement. I love the opportunity that my students now have to be engaged in strategic and higher-order project-based learning that they actually benefit from."

ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE TEACHER

"EcoRise lessons are organized and easy to access for teachers, as well as engaging and hands-on for students!"

Get started today by enrolling at http://ecorise.org/enroll

When you hit submit you will receive a "Welcome" email. Please check your spam/junk folder if you do not get it. Click on the link in the email to access the curriculum and more. Your username is your school email address.

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