

Email Templates

Public & Environmental Health Colleagues Template

Subject: Share the Climate & Health Youth Education Toolkit in time for back to school

Dear Public & Environmental Health Colleagues,

As we prepare for the new school year, we encourage you to share information about climate change and health with local high school students.

The American Public Health Association's (APHA) Children's Environmental Health Committee has developed a toolkit to help. The [Climate and Health Youth Education Toolkit](#) includes a 100-minute lesson plan and a customizable [PowerPoint slide deck](#). This lesson plan is based on the [National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences Climate and Health lesson plans](#).

You can find more resources to help you engage with schools and students on the [Children's Environmental Health Committee website](#). These include:

- Email template
- Recruitment flyer
- Social media
- Tips from a high school teacher
- Youth Take Action flyer
- Climate to Health relay race activity
- Resources page (including mental health resources)

Feel free to use the attached email templates to help you communicate with your local schools and parent-teacher organizations.

Students are eager to learn about climate change and teachers need support to teach about it. You are positioned to be an expert resource for them! [Learn more](#) and make a difference in your community!

Sincerely,

APHA Children's Environmental Health Committee

School Template

Dear [Superintendent/Principal/Teacher/Counselor/School Nurse/Staff – last name, or Mr./Ms. X],

As you prepare for the new school year, we encourage you to consider sharing information about climate change and health with your students. Research shows that many students are eager to learn about climate change and parents agree that schools should teach more about this topic. Yet, many teachers and schools report they need more resources and support for this.

Public and environmental health experts can help provide this education and support.

The American Public Health Association's (APHA) Children's Environmental Health Committee, has developed the [Climate and Health Youth Education Toolkit](#). This toolkit, based on the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences Climate and Health lesson plans, includes a 100-minute lesson plan and a customizable PowerPoint slide deck. It also includes additional lesson plan resources to help engage students. If you are interested in having a guest speaker about climate change and health, I am happy to work with you to set a date and time for the presentation.

I am also happy to answer any questions if you are interested in learning more.

Best,

[Name, Degrees, Title]

PTO/PTA Template

Dear Parent Teacher Organization/Association members,

We know that students are eager to learn about climate change, but teachers and schools report they need resources and support to teach it. Research shows that parents, rather than teachers, more often talk to their teens about climate change. Yet, many parents agree that schools should teach more about this topic.

This is where public and environmental health experts can help.

The American Public Health Association's (APHA) Children's Environmental Health Committee has developed the [Climate and Health Youth Education Toolkit](#) to help public and environmental health professionals provide climate change and health education in the classroom. This toolkit, based on the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences Climate and Health lesson plans, includes a lesson plan and a customizable PowerPoint slide deck.

As a public and environmental health professional, I'd like the opportunity to share this toolkit with your PTO/PTA, to help you support your schools and teens. If you are interested in learning more, let's schedule a date and time to present the toolkit with your PTO/PTA members.

Sincerely,

[Name, Degrees, Title]