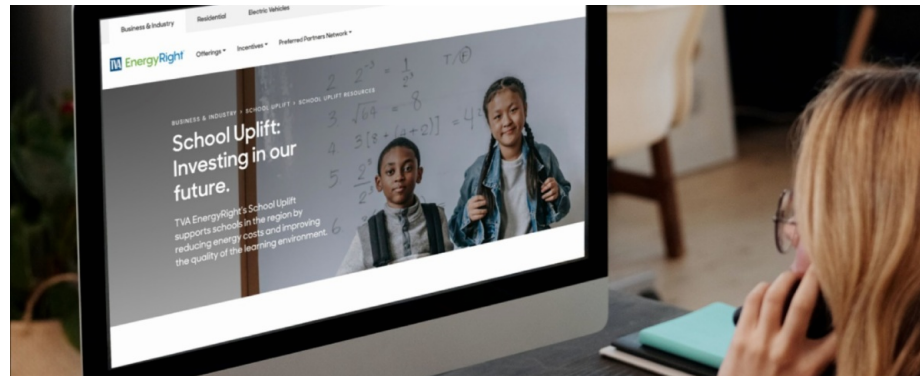


Helping schools lower energy costs, improve the learning environment and achieve energy goals.



Announcements

Explore the tools to help you succeed in School Uplift.



We hope you are enjoying your summer break! While summer provides much needed rest and relaxation, it's also a great time to think about your goals and vision for the year ahead.

To prepare for your work in School Uplift, TVA EnergyRight® sent you a Welcome Kit of resources.

Take a moment to look through your Welcome Kit, which includes

- Energy Team Hands-On Toolkit
- Strategic Energy Management (SEM) Manual
- Engagement Binder

These materials provide you with the information, tools, and methods to effectively engage your staff, faculty and students in saving energy. You'll learn the ins and outs of Strategic Energy Management (SEM), how to create an effective Energy Team, best practices around engaging your community, shutdown checklists and much more!

Your Welcome Kit was sent to the Energy Champion at your school. Please reach out to tvashooluplift@trccompanies.com if you haven't received your materials.

On May 8th after Workshop 1, each Champion received an email containing some digital resources as well, including a School Uplift Checklist, Monthly Notes, and more. Your Coach can review these materials with you in your next Coaching Call!

Reminders

Energy saving posters and clings are on their way to your school soon!



In August, your school will receive posters and clings to prompt staff and students to take energy-saving actions. Use the posters and clings around your school to remind occupants that opportunities for saving energy are everywhere!

Let the competition begin!

Compete for \$25K in Learning Environment Grant funding.

As of August 1st, your school will begin competing against over 100 other schools to receive up to \$25,000 in grant funding! The Learning Environment Grant taps into participants' competitive spirits, which has shown to be effective in generating higher energy savings for schools.

Schools receive points from activities such as:

- Meeting with your Energy Team each month, with submission of meeting minutes.
- Updating your Energy Bills in EnergyStar each month in a timely manner.
- Implementing engagement campaigns with staff and students to motivate energy saving behaviors.

Schools that complete all program requirements will be awarded \$10,000, while the top ten highest-scoring schools will be awarded \$25,000!



Workshop 1: Kickoff

We launched our 5th Cohort of School Uplift in late May in our first Workshop of five. Thanks to all who took time to attend! If you did not attend, please click below to register, and view the recording for program credit.

[Workshop 1 Recording](#)

Coaching Calls begin each month, starting now!

Your Energy Coach will be reaching out soon to schedule a Coaching Call. These meetings are required for School Uplift completion, however, past Champions reported that these calls reduced the stress of adopting energy efficiency behaviors and planning for community engagement. Together, you will review current program priorities, discuss next steps, and craft activities best suited for your school.

Office Hours

Have a few questions or need help between Coaching Calls? Come chat with an Energy Coach during our office hours each week, open to all Energy Team members!

- [Tuesday Mornings: 7:30-8:30AM CT \(8:30-9:30AM ET\)](#)
- [Thursday Mornings: 7:30-8:30AM CT \(8:30-9:30AM ET\)](#)

Upcoming Events

Workshop 2: Engagement

Click either session link below to register! You'll receive confirmation to your email which will allow you to add this live virtual workshop to your calendar.

- [Tuesday, July 23, 2024: 2:30-3:30PM CT \(3:30-4:30PM ET\)](#)
- [Thursday, July 25, 2024: 8:30-9:30AM CT \(9:30-10:30AM ET\)](#)



We will discuss engagement strategies for staff, students, and community members. Strong engagement in energy saving strategies and behaviors creates higher positive impact and leadership opportunities—let alone the potential energy bill savings!

Spotlight Action

Information Request Form and Site Assessments

So far, 34 schools have submitted their Information Request Form (IRF) and historic energy data! You rock!

If you have not submitted your IRF or your electric and gas historical data, we encourage you to do this as soon as possible. Your Site Assessment with an engineer will be scheduled once this is completed.

[Information Request Form](#)

If your school district's central office or facilities team is unable to gather data on your behalf, ask your Coach or Local Power Company contact for help gathering 24 months of historical energy data. This helps us move forward with your Site Assessment and establish your EnergyStar Portfolio Manager account online.

Connect

Connect with your local power company!

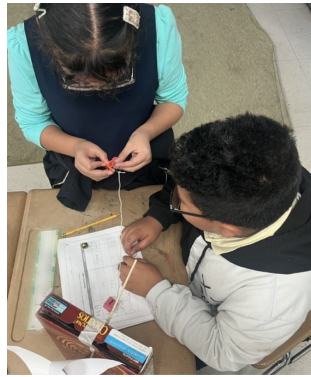


Your Local Power Company (LPC) is available to help you throughout your School Uplift journey. They are a great resource for questions about your electricity bill and can provide information about additional local energy programs in your district. We encourage you to connect with your LPC throughout the year to boost community engagement.

If you need help connecting with your LPC, contact your Energy Coach to make an introduction!

- [Jen Hathaway](#)
- [Tom Irwin](#)
- [Whitney Stewart](#)
- [Sarah Cline](#)

School Spotlight



Students at a grant-winning school learn alternative ways their electricity is produced.

Cole Elementary was a recipient of the \$25,000 Learning Environment Grant due to their commitment to energy education across grade levels. Their student team, "The Planet Protectors", learned about alternative forms of energy generation, the pros and cons, and the many ways that TVA creates energy across the Valley.

Your school could be featured here!

We want to showcase your school! After each engagement, school event, staff meeting, or classroom lesson that reinforces School Uplift's energy saving lessons, submit a photo or document to your Energy Coach. You'll receive program points AND may be featured in our monthly newsletter!

Congratulations to all Cohort 4 schools who successfully engaged students and taught them life-long lessons for wise energy consumption. Cheers to our new Cohort of creative Champions and students!

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