



Common Ground High School

New Haven, CT

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This school:

- Hosts programs for all ages about sustainability and connects students to the community.
- Offers CT's only charter high school focused on the environmental studies.
- Models practices of sustainable agriculture and grows food in their urban farm.

Common Ground High School participated in the Keep Connecticut Cool contest that was judged on June 4, 2011. The contest is for Connecticut students in grades 4-12 to create climate change solutions in their schools and communities. The Common Ground team consisted of a group of innovative students and their mentor Rachel Gilroy.

The Green Team made efforts towards:

- Monitoring energy, water, food, and waste use at their school.
- Collecting data and developing sustainable management strategies.
- Facilitating the Leading Green Fair.

The Common Ground team demonstrated both creative and useful ideas. They aspired to make a difference in educating the students and faculty at Common Ground. This team was awarded the \$1000 Best Energy Savings project in the High School/Middle School division of the Keep Connecticut Cool contest.

Keep Connecticut Cool is a program of the Institute for Sustainable Energy at Eastern Connecticut State University. You can find more information at www.keepconnecticutcool.org



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