

# THE 7<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL DELAWARE YOUTH ENVIRONMENTAL SUMMIT FEBRUARY 20, 2026 RIVERFRONT CHASE CENTER, WILMINGTON

Heading into its 7<sup>th</sup> year, and growing each year, YES! clearly fills a unique niche in Delaware.

YES! is now the largest student conference in Delaware and likely the largest youth environmental summit in the U.S.

YES! is planned by students, for students.

Every aspect of YES! is free of charge to the participating students and educators.

But, all this only happens with **your** support.



# The 2025 YES! summit in a nutshell

- 950+ registrants
- 675+ students (up from cap of 500 each of last two years)
- 77 teachers/educators or teen group leaders
- 70 students provided with leadership training and planning experience
- 44 schools and teen groups represented from all three Delaware counties and beyond (up from 34 in 2024)
- All three Delaware counties represented (schools/teams: 31 NCC; 7 Kent; 3 Sussex; 2 MD; 1 NJ)
- 14 Title I schools represented
- 54 nonprofit, agency and corporate exhibitors
- 5 keynote speakers
- 28 breakout sessions with more than 65 speakers & panelists
- Roundtable gathering of educators to discuss environmental literacy and integrating curriculum
- 2 electric vehicles displayed
- 2 delicious vegetarian meals highlighted our diet's impact on climate change
- Total budget approximately \$125,000
- All Delaware students and educators attend for FREE





# The comments say it all:

"Incredible."

"Thanks for organizing!"

"Excellent! Thank you!"

"Great excitement from the students. Interested."

"Great workshops."

"The volunteers were extremely helpful in all areas (i.e. registration, directions), the exhibitors were top notch, speakers were excellent (from student to professional) and the food/staff at the Chase were top notch."

"It was fun and informational."

"Super efficient and great ideas I can use in my classes."

"I wouldn't change anything."

"I learned that there are more people than I thought that want better for the planet."

"I have more hope for the future after seeing the passion of the young generation."

"Clean jobs that can replace current jobs that are polluting."

"I learned more about climate and small steps I can take to better it."

"I learned we're literally made of plastics."



#### **COLLEGE TRACKS**

This diverse group of students will soon be choosing their pathways for college majors and post graduate degrees.



#### **GREEN CAREERS**

YES! students are interested in pursuing a wide array of fields that relate to protecting the environment: STEAM, NGO, Nonprofit, Legal & more.



#### **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

Engage today's youth in volunteer and community initiatives, whether in school, on campus, in the community, or globally.



#### **EDUCATORS**

Sessions and opportunities for teachers and educators



### **2025 SPONSORS & EXHIBITORS**

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**Delaware Environmental Literacy Community of Practice** 

# **OPPORTUNITIES TO SUPPORT**

- ☐ HEADLINE SPONSOR \$25,000
- ☐ GLOBAL SPONSOR \$10,000
- ☐ CONTINENTAL SPONSOR \$5,000
- ☐ OCEAN SPONSOR \$2,500
- ☐ WATERSHED SPONSOR \$1,000
- ☐ STATEWIDE SPONSOR \$500
- ☐ TRIBUTARY SPONSOR \$200 (base level for exhibitors, includes logo listing, table & 2 chairs, breakfast/lunch/beverages for 2 attendees).

All sponsor levels Statewide & above include exhibitor space (if desired), logo listing per sponsorship level, and attendee registration.



Your logo will be spotlighted in social media posts, digital newsletter, on YES! web site, big screen, and more. Can be customized to sponsor's goals for the summit.

# OR, SELECT AN EXCLUSIVE OPPORTUNITY TO SUPPORT

#### **EXCLUSIVE LOGO PLACEMENT**

- WHOVA SUMMIT APP SPONSOR \$7,500
- ☐ KEYNOTE SPEAKER SPONSOR \$5,000
- ☐ NAMETAG-LANYARD SPONSOR \$5,000
- ☐ STUDENT LEADER T-SHIRT SPONSOR \$5,000
- ☐ SWAG BAG SPONSOR \$5,000
- ☐ SPEAKER SWAG SPONSOR \$2,500
- ☐ In-kind: (let's chat! Looking for snacks, printing, swag, raffle prizes...)

\*All sponsorship levels include exhibit space (if desired) and attendee tickets.



# Your support of YES! will be highlighted widely!



**Social Media**Facebook. Insta, X,
Linkedlin, BlueSky



**Digital**DelawareYES.org and
PlasticFreeDelaware.org
web sites & e-newsletters



Whova Event app



Public Relations Press releases and media coverage





# **Inspire - Inform - Educate - Empower - Activate**

YES! is an opportunity for students grades 9-12 to learn about and share their passion around environmental issues, build their advocacy skills and get involved in making a difference. The mission of YES! is to inspire, encourage, and prepare Delaware's youth for a life of environmental responsibility, service, and leadership by increasing awareness and knowledge of environmental issues and fostering leadership skills.

# JOIN US!



# THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

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