



## FAQ Sheet:

November 2007 – Training Questions/Suggestions

**Q. How can I find out more about activities for elementary level students?**

A. Please visit the following links for activities which can be geared to elementary level students:

<http://www.mcps.k12.md.us/departments/facilities/greenschoolsfocus/pdf/SERT%20Ice%20Breaker.pdf>

<http://www.mcps.k12.md.us/departments/facilities/greenschoolsfocus/pdf/Welcme%20to%20SERT.pdf>

<http://www.mcps.k12.md.us/departments/facilities/greenschoolsfocus/pdf/Wattsuweb08.pdf>

If you have an after school team, we can visit and help get your team “energized.”

**Q. I would like to learn how to use the tools to plan for delamping. Is there a worksheet that can help us?**

A. Refer to pages 17-19 of the SERT Handbook for general information on delamping. Contact your SERT facilitator to assist you with borrowing the necessary tools and a personal demonstration.

Jim Stufft – Randolph area                      240-314-1096

Arthur Hayes – Clarksburg area              240-314-1098

Greg Williams – Bethesda area              240-314-1097

Also, take a look at the following link to a delamping worksheet we have on our website:

<http://www.mcps.k12.md.us/departments/facilities/greenschoolsfocus/docs/Delamping.xls>

**Q. We need ideas to kick off our annual program. Can you help us get started?**

A. You can start your year off by increasing awareness of the SERT Program. Please talk to your leadership and recruit a group of students who will assist in

creating awareness. Your SERT facilitator is a great resource and can share with you the successful strategies that other schools have found helpful. Tools can be borrowed by contacting your SERT facilitator and SERT program employees can visit your school to encourage energy conservation. See Welcome to SERT above.

**Q. It would be nice if you would talk to staff at teachers meetings. How can we make those arrangements?**

A. Please invite us to your next staff meeting (240-314-1090). We are always eager to share information about the SERT program and energy conservation strategies your school can implement. Energy awareness is what makes our program successful.

**Q. I would love to have someone come to my school and talk to our SERT team about how to get monetary awards. Can someone come to my school?**

A. Please invite us – we would like to share information about our dual track incentive program. The top 30 performing schools receive quarterly awards of \$500.00. We publish the winners quarterly on our Energy Data site: <http://www.mcps.k12.md.us/departments/facilities/greenschoolsfocus/data.shtm>  
If your school does not perform in the top 30 – there is another avenue for awards. These awards are called GEMS (Great Energy Management). Schools where we see active teams, students engaged in energy conservation activities, shut down procedures followed, and energy awareness, are nominated for GEM awards. If awarded they also receive \$500.00 per quarter. The 4<sup>th</sup> quarter (summer) awards are deposited directly into the BSM supply account. Schools can qualify for one type of award not both.

**Q. Where do we get bulbs for task lighting?**

A. When you place your order for task lamps we deliver the lamp with the bulb. It is included in the price. Stay tuned for replacement information. They should last many years. Order forms can be found: <http://www.mcps.k12.md.us/departments/facilities/greenschoolsfocus/pdf/TaskLampOrderForm.pdf>

**Q. We would like to take a sample task lamp to our PTA and principal. How do we borrow one?**

A. Ask your SERT facilitator to deliver a task lamp for “lending”. Call 240-314-1090. We can arrange the delivery and a demonstration. We have had success at schools setting up a task lamp cart with a watt meter, light meter, and temperature guns to use in classrooms as a “roving” demonstration.