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The Maryland Association for Environmental and Outdoor Education Announces 2015 Maryland Green School Awards

MAEOE Certifies Earle B. Wood Middle School as a Maryland Green School

Jessup, Maryland – (April 30, 2015) – The Maryland Association of Environmental and Outdoor Education (MAEOE) is pleased to announce that Earle B. Wood Middle School has been certified as a 2015 Maryland Green School. The Maryland Green Schools program is nationally recognized as having significant impact with students and schools. The program encourages educational opportunities for preK-12 schools that increase awareness and understanding of environmental interrelationships that impact public health and our society, and that promote responsible environmental stewardship practices. The program is aligned with Chesapeake Bay Watershed Agreement 2014 goals and supports Maryland State Department of Education graduation requirements and standards.

Over the past two years, our school has demonstrated and documented a continuous effort to integrate sustainable environmental management practices, environmental education curriculum, professional development opportunities, and community engagement into our daily operations. This award signifies that our school has made a commitment to developing stewards of the earth and reducing the environmental impact of our school.

“Students, teachers, school personnel, parents and community partners working together to create lasting, positive environmental actions at school are core elements to becoming a Maryland Green School,” says Laura Johnson Collard, MAEOE Executive Director. Students are involved in projects that save energy and reduce waste. Schools are also encouraged to get students outdoors to the schoolyard or to visit a local nature park. The Maryland Green Schools program plays an important role in fulfilling the state’s commitment to ensure our young people become environmentally literate by the time they graduate.

MAEOE will celebrate with Green Schools, Green Centers and schools that are interested in knowing more about the program at the Maryland Green School Youth Summit on May 29, 2015, at Sandy Point State Park in Annapolis.

About MAEOE:

A Recipient of the Governor’s Smart, Green, and Growing Award, MAEOE is a non-profit membership organization. MAEOE’s mission is to encourage, engage and empower the community to understand, responsibly use and promote the natural world. MAEOE’s Maryland Green School program began in 1999. For a complete listing of Green Schools and Green Centers visit www.maeoe.org.

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