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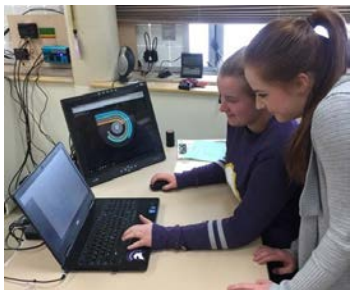
Your school's eco footprint: students grade it, then improve it.

For teachers looking to help students master STEM concepts, the Building Learners program is a complete, data-driven package that uses your school's eco footprint to bring lessons to life. Students sharpen their analysis and problem-solving skills, and observe the benefits of their impact on their school's sustainability performance.

Building Learners empowers students to use their building as a learning laboratory. Students collect, analyze and conduct real-world investigations that inform improvements around waste, energy, water, health and transportation at their school. Working with their school's facility manager and a volunteer green building professional serving as a mentor, students gain exposure to sustainability careers and build positive relationships with their community.

What's included?

-  Standards-aligned lessons from the **Learning Lab** platform
-  Training, including the **Green Classroom Professional Certificate**
-  Help from a volunteer local green building professional
-  Access to **Arc**, an online sustainability benchmarking platform
-  Resource library with lesson planning and project management tools



Building Learners program resources are developed by the Center for Green Schools at the U.S. Green Building Council and Arc.

“Sometimes teachers make up problems to solve, but already we have so many we can work together on solving.”

— Susan Cunningham, Teacher
 Briarwood Elementary School
 Shawnee Mission School District






How much does the program cost?

	Year 1 and 2	Each subsequent year
Price per school	One payment of \$850 made at program start	\$550 per year
Price per LEED-certified school*	One payment of \$550 made at program start	\$250 per year

**Arc is free for any LEED-certified building.*

Who benefits?

Students		Provides hands-on and project-based learning experiences, practical problem-solving skills, and exposure to green careers through connections with green building professionals.
Teachers		Offers professional development, standards-aligned STEM-based curriculum, lesson planning tools that inspire students to design their own green solutions, and support from local green building professionals.
School facilities staff		Helps reduce resource consumption as a result of student-led projects, offers buy-in for sustainability improvements, and supplies a dashboard to benchmark and communicate school sustainability metrics.

Think your school would be a great fit for Building Learners?

Learn more at learninglab.usgbc.org/programs/building-learners