EPA Apps for the Environment

Calling all student developers:

Take the Challenge and Code a Green App!

The **U.S. Environmental Protection Agency** challenges students from high school and college campuses across America to create a broad range of apps that aid in environmental and public health protection.

EPA supplies the data but you deliver the vision and solutions. EPA Apps for the Environment Challenge lets students share their talents with the community while learning from professional developers from around the country. 'Apps for the Environment' is your opportunity to set yourself from the pack. Take the lead in shaping the future of environmental protection through app development. Take the challenge!

The EPA Apps for the Environment Challenge allows students to showcase your cutting edge talents, get noticed by investors, expand your professional networks and support environmental protection. Turn EPA's environmental data into information people can use everyday.

Visit our website (<u>www.epa.gov/appsfortheenvironment</u>) or follow #GreenApps on Twitter to find out about ways to make the most out of this challenge. You can participate in webinars to find out what end users need, organize a codea-thon at your school/campus, and get started making a difference.

Challenge Details:

Submissions must use <u>EPA data</u> and address one or more of <u>EPA Administrator Lisa P. Jackson's Seven Priorities for EPA's Future</u>. EPA experts will select a winner and runner up in each of two categories: Best Developer App and Best Student App.

In addition, the public will vote for a "People's Choice" winner. Apps will be judged based on their usefulness, innovation, and usability. Winners will receive recognition from EPA on the agency's website and at an event in Washington, DC in late fall, where they will present their apps to senior EPA officials and invited guests.

Key Dates:

June 9: Challenge starts

September 16: Submissions are due

Late Fall: Recognition Event in Washington, D.C.

Not a Techie?

We still need your help! Post your ideas for cool environmental or human health apps on our blog at:

blog.epa.gov/data/ideasforappscomment

"Blending technology with a wide range of environmental data,
Apps for the Environment will help present useful information in
a user-friendly way for our families, neighbors and communities.
I'm excited to see the innovations that professional software
developers and high school students alike can create."

- Lisa P. Jackson, EPA Administrator

